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SHIPPING.

STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH THE MALABAR COAST, CEYLON, MADRAS, AND CALCUTTA.

THE BRITISH INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY (Limited), under Contract with Government, despatch Steamers as above with Mails, Passengers, and Cargo, every week.

The Steam-ship "AFRICA," 2,031 Tons, 250 H. P., Commander C. Heasman, will be despatched on SATURDAY, the 14th November 1874, at 4 P.M.

November 1874.		November 1874.
Leaves Bombay	14	Leaves Tuticorin 22
,, Ratnagherry	15	,, Colombo 23
,, Vingorla	16	,, Pondicherry 25
,, Goa	16	,, Madras 27
,, Carwar	17	,, Masulipatam 29
,, Mangalore	18	,, Coconada Dec. 1
,, Cannanore	18	,, Visagapatam 2
,, Tellicherry	19	,, Bimlipatam 2
,, Calicut	19	,, Gopalpore 3
,, Beypore	19	,, False Point 4
,, Cochin	20	Arrives at CALCUTTA 6
,, Alleppy	20	

Cargo for Singapore and China can be booked by the Steamers or this line for transhipment at Galle to the Messageries Maritime Company's Steamers, which run regularly.

Also for Batavia, Sourabaya, Tjilajap, Palembang, Pontianak, Aitchen, Padang and Molucca Islands, to go forward by the Messageries Maritime and Netherlands India S. N. Company.

N.B.—No Cargo will be received on the day of sailing.

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH THE PERSIAN GULF, VIA KURRACHEE

Intervening Ports and Passengers at Bussrah, to and from Bombay, with the Expuriates and Tigris Steam Navigation Company.

THE BRITISH INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY (Limited), under Mail Contract with Government, will despatch a Steamer every week to the Persian Gulf, touching at KURRACHEE, GUADUR, MUSCAT, BUNDER ABBAS, LINGA, BUSHIRE, FAO, BUSREH, and occasionally at BAHREIN, KOWEIT, and MAHOMERAH.

The s.s. INDIA, 1,060 Tons, 200 H.P., Commander J. Hesketh, will be despatched on FRIDAY, the 13th November, 1874, at 4 P.M.

November 1874.		December 1874.
Leave BOMBAY	13	Leave BUSREH 2
,, Gundur	18	,, Mahomerah 2
,, Muscat	20	,, Fao 2
,, Bunder Abbas	22	,, Bushire 6
,, Linga	24	,, Linga 8
,, Bushire	26	,, Bunder Abbas 11
,, Fao	28	,, Muscat 14
,, Mahomerah	28	,, Gundur 15
Arrive BUSREH	29	,, Kurrachee 18
		Arrive BOMBAY 21

N.B.—No Cargo will be received on the day of sailing.

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH KURRACHEE

THE BRITISH INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY (Limited), under Mail Contract with Government, and in connection with the weekly service from England, will during the fair season despatch a Steamer to Kurrachee every FRIDAY, at 4 P.M., and an Extra Steamer on every MONDAY, at 7 P.M.

The s.s. PENANG, 699 Tons, 120 H.P., Commander J. Avern, will be despatched on MONDAY, the 16th November 1874, at 2 P.M., calling at Veraval, Porebunder, and Cutch Mandvie.

The s.s. INDIA, 1,060 Tons, 200 H. P., Commander J. Henderson, will be despatched on FRIDAY, the 13th November 1874, at 4 P.M.

N.B.—No Cargo will be received on the day of sailing.

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

STEAM TO CARWAR COAST.

THE well-known and Fast Sailing New Steamer PEHLWAN, Commander Corby, will leave on TUESDAY, the 10th November, at 5 P.M., for un-rounded Ports : Burney, Rutnachiri, Joytapore, Malwan, Vingorla, and Goa (Panjim).

For Passage or Freight apply to the Undersigned at his Office, Nicol's Gate Street, No. 30, in the house of ROWJEE BOOCHUND DARBAR, opposite to Manekchund Lukhmeechund, and also at his other Office at Bur-an Ghullee, out of Fort.

RAMDASS KHIMJAR.

HARBOUR STEAM FERRIES.

STEAM FERRIES (under Contract with Government).—STEAM FERRY BOATS ply daily across the Harbour, calling at the undermentioned Bunders :—

Fares from Bombay to	Custom.	Hog Island	Colaba.	Bunder for Kamathis.	Dharumtur.	Tirali.	Alibag.	Rodmanda.
	Rs. a.	Rs. a.	Rs. a.	Rs. a.	Rs. a.	Rs. a.	Rs. a.	Rs. a.
1st Class	2 0	2 0	3 0	2 0	3 0	2 8	3 0	4 0
2nd Class	0 8	0 12	0 12	0 12	1 0	1 0	1 4	1 8
3rd Class	0 4	0 6	0 6	0 6	0 8	0 4	0 6	0 8
Horses	3 0	4 0	4 0	3 0	5 0	2 8	3 0	5 0
Carriages	3 0	3 0	3 0	3 0	5 0	2 8	3 0	5 0
Bullocks	2 0	3 0	3 0	2 0	4 0	1 8	2 0	4 0
Dogs	0 3	0 4	0 4	0 3	0 4	0 2	0 3	0 4

CHILDREN under seven years half fare, under 2 years free.

PERSONAL LUGGAGE First Class 112 lbs., Second Class 56 lbs., and Third Class 28 lbs. free.

EXTRA LUGGAGE.—For each 10 lbs. or part of 10 lbs., one anna.

The Oolwa Ferry Boat leaves Bombay, Carnac Bunder, at 9 A.M. daily, and returning leaves Oolwa at 11 A.M.

The Dhurumtur Ferry Boat leaves Bombay, Carnac Bunder, at 2-30 A.M. daily, and returning leaves Dhurumtur at 1 P.M.

The Alibag Ferry Boat leaves Bombay, Carnac Bunder, at 2 P.M. daily, and returning leaves Rodmanda at 5 A.M.

Passengers are required to obtain Tickets from the Bunder Clerks previous to their proceeding on board.

No. 33, Meadow Street. J. A. SHEPHERD.

SURAT AND GOGO FERRY.

STEAM FERRY (under Contract with Government).—A STEAM FERRY BOAT plies every alternate day between SURAT and GOGO and *vice versâ*, Sundays excepted.

Fares.		Fares.	
1st Class	Rs. 5 0	Horses	Rs. 4 0
2nd ,,	,, 3 0	Carriages	,, 4 4
3rd ,,	,, 1 8	Dogs	,, 0 6

CHILDREN under seven years half fare, and under 2 years free.

PERSONAL LUGGAGE First Class 112 lbs., Second Class 56 lbs., and Third Class 28 lbs. free.

EXTRA LUGGAGE.—For each 10 lbs. or part of 10 lbs., one anna.

The Steamer leaves Gogo every MONDAY, WEDNESDAY, and FRIDAY.

The Steamer leaves Surat every TUESDAY, THURSDAY, and SATURDAY.

The Steamer leaving Surat on SATURDAY proceeds to Bhowsuggur, and returns that port for Surat on MONDAY morning.

Further particulars can be learnt on application to the undermentioned Agents :—

Mr. HOOSEIN MAHOMED, Gogo.

,, JEYED COOTBOODEEN, Surat.

Or to the Undersigned at Bombay.

J. A. SHEPHERD.

No. 33, Meadow Street.

COPPER-PLATE PRINTING, ENGRAVING, &c.

VISITING CARDS, Invitation Cards, Wedding Cards and Envelopes, Cheques, Bills of Lading, Office and Bank Seals, Seals for Stamping Envelopes, &c., engraved to order, and at moderate prices.

Specimens may be seen at the "Bombay Gazette" Office.

SHIPPING.

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL COMPANY.

THE Peninsular and Oriental Company's Steamers will be despatched with H. M.'s Mails as follows :—

S.S. HINDOSTAN, 3,113 Tons, November 16th.
S.S. CATHAY, 2,982 ,, ,, 23rd to Southampton.

Passengers to Malta, Gibraltar, and Southampton are only booked once a fortnight, and the Steamers proceed direct via the Canal.

Passengers to Brindisi, Ancona, and Venice are carried by every Steamer, but continue to proceed by Rail from Suez to Alexandria.

Passengers are requested to send their heavy baggage to Mazagon on the day of the Steamer's departure, before 10 A.M., in order that it may be weighed and labelled previous to shipment.

A small Steamer will leave the New Dock Head at Mazagon at 3 P.M. precisely on the day of sailing.

Cargo can be shipped to the following places in addition to the usual Ports of call, viz. :—" Messina, Naples, Leghhorn, Genoa, Trieste, Odessa, Constantinople, Marseilles, Havre, London, Liverpool and New York."

F. D. PARKER,
Acting Superintendent.

Bombay, 9th November 1874.

STEAM TO CEYLON, PENANG, STRAITS, CHINA, AND JAPAN.

On Tuesday, the 17th Nov. 1874, at 3 P.M., from Mazagon.

THE P. and O. Co.'s S. S. THIBET, (2,335 tons and 400 H. P.) Captain C. H. Eastley, will be despatched as above, carrying H. M.'s Mails, and taking also Passengers and Cargo for Madras and Calcutta.

No Cargo will be received on board after sunset on the day previous to sailing, and no brokerage will be allowed on any chest of opium, the officer's receipt for which is not tendered in the Company's Office before noon, on Saturday, the 14th Nov. 1874.

F. D. PARKER, Acting Superintendent.

Bombay, 3rd November 1874.

LIVERPOOL VIA SUEZ CANAL.

TO LEAVE EARLY IN DECEMBER.

THE new steamer SOUTH TYNE, 1,519 Tons, classed 100 A 1 at Lloyds, built specially for the East India Trade, with Cabins on deck, having accommodation for twenty Passengers.

RATES OF PASSAGE MONEY.

To Live pool	Rs.	300
To Suez	,,	300
To Malta	,,	400

Exclusive of Wines and Spirits, which can be had on board. For further particulars apply to

FINLAY, MUIR, & Co.,
Agents.

Bombay, 14th October 1874.

STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH ITALY, *VIA* SUEZ CANAL.

ITALIAN STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY of Messrs. R. RUBATTINO & Co., GENOA.
THE REGULAR STEAMERS LEAVE GENOA, and BOMBAY on the 1st on the 24th, of each month.

PASSENGERS, RATES.

(Inclusive of all Transit Fees through the Suez Canal.)

To Aden	1st Class. £22	2nd Class. £15	3rd Class. £4	Without food.
Suez	36	22	8	
Port Said	36	24	9	
Alexandria	39	25	9-10	Including Wines
Messina	50	34	14	
Naples	50	34	14	
Leghorn	50	34	14	
Genoa	50	34	14	
Marseilles (transhipment at Genoa)	52	36	14-10	

Children under 3 years, free of charge. Children not above ten years, half fare.

NEXT STEAMERS FROM BOMBAY :—

"INDIA," to sail on TUESDAY, 1st December 1874.
"PERSIA," to sail on FRIDAY, 1st January 1875.

The exact hour of departure will be fixed and published a day or two previous to sailing.

For hand-books of information, rates of freight, &c, apply to

C. GRONDONA,
Agent Rubattino Steam Navigation Company,
No. 9 Hummum Street.

Bombay, 1st January 1874.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES per s.s. ENNERDALE.

—The s.s. ENNERDALE, Captain Tr May, having arrived from Liverpool, under General Average, occasioned by stranding in the Red Sea, and Jettison of part of the Cargo, Consignees are requested to sign the Average Bond, and to pay a Deposit of Two per cent. on the value of their Goods on account of General Average expenses to the Undersigned who thereupon will grant Delivery Orders on the presentation of Bills of Lading.

Consignees are further requested to take IMMEDIATE DELIVERY of their respective Goods. No Claims will be entertained after the Steamer's departure.

McCULLOCH, BROWNE & Co.,
Agents for Capt. in.

SALES BY AUCTION.

JEHANGEER HORMUSJEE & COMPANY,
No. 12, APOLLO STREET, FORT.

On WEDNESDAY being the Mahomedan and Dewalee Holiday, Messrs. JEHANGEER HORMUSJEE and Co. will sell by Public Auction, at their Rooms, on THURSDAY, the 12th instant, at 1 P.M., precisely, the following :—

Sundries, consisting of spring dalls with key, white copper tea pots, drums, rolls of carpet, piece s of Brussel's carpets, butter pots, Abyssinian cloths, fans, cushions, glass and horn buttons, watch fancy keys, money purses, large and small alpacca umbrellas, with 12 ribs, 1 case of boots, 1 powerful camera, by Bland and Long, &c.

Also a quantity of grey and coloured piece goods such as grey shirtings, madapollums, jaconets, dhooties, &c.

2 Cases of Woollen Cloths.
1 Bale Twine.

JEHANGEER HORMUSJEE & Co.

Bombay, 10th November 1874.

MENESSE AND COMPANY

On THURSDAY, the 12th inst., Messrs. MENESSE & Co., will hold their usual Weekly Auction Sale at their Rooms, a quantity of Grey and Coloured Piece Goods, Twist, &c., &c.

5 bales Turkey Red Yarn, No. 40 to 60.
10 ,, Grey shirtings, 8 by 45.
8 ,, Grey Dhoties, 5 by 10 yards.
3 cases White Dhoties, 10 by 44.
5 ,, Prints, 24 yards.

MENESSE & Co.

Bombay, 10th November 1874.

BENNETT AND COMPANY,
No. 4, FORBES STREET.

AUCTION SALE of valuable and handsome English Mahogany and richly Carved Blackwood Furniture, best plated, rich Crockery and Glassware, a first-class Piano, handsome Carriages, Horses, Plants, &c., at Malabar Hill.

On TUESDAY, the 17th instant, at 1 p.m., Messrs. BENNETT & Co. are instructed to submit to Public Auction, at his Residence, at the abovementioned place, the valuable and handsome Household Furniture, Plated, Glass, and Porcelainware, &c., the property of James Scden, Esq.

Full particulars will be given hereafter, and the property will be on view four days before the day of sale.

AUCTION SALE of Valuable and Handsome Household Furniture, Plated, Glass and Porcelainware, &c., at Government Gate Road, Parell, opposite Lowjee Castle.

On THURSDAY, the 19th instant, Messrs. BENNETT and Co. are instructed to submit to Public Auction, at his Residence, at the abovementioned place, the valuable and handsome Household Furniture, Plated, Glass and Porcelainware, &c., the property of James Scden, Esq.

Full particulars will be given hereafter, and the property will be on view four days before the day of sale.

AUCTION SALE of Valuable and Handsome Household Furniture, Plated, Glass and Porcelainware, &c., at Mazagon, behind the Sudder Court.

On THURSDAY, the 12th inst., at 1 p.m. Messrs. Bennett and Co. are instructed to submit to Public Auction at his residence at the abovementioned place, the valuable and handsome household furniture, Plate, Glass, and Porcelainware, Piano, Carriage and Horse, &c., the property of Gentleman changing his residence. The same comprises rich cut glassware, dinner, dessert and breakfast sets, plateware, such as curry dishes, tea pitchers, tea urn, tea set, cruet, breakfast, tea and tiffin cruet frames, beer mug, butter pot, waiter table and chamber candlesticks, set of spoons and forks, dessert knives and forks, cutlery, &c., " a magnificent set of blackwood drawing-room furniture," exquisitely carved and was ordered for the Paris Exhibition consisting of round tables, pair of conversation sofas, easy and drawing-room chairs, covered with real Morocco leather, handsomely carved blackwood pier tables, four-post bedstead, round, dining, and camp tables, dining-room chairs, sideboard, round, sofa, writing and wine tables, pedicu, easy, folding and rocking chairs, chiffonier, whatnot, tea poys, plated five light hanging argand and table lamps, carpets, pictures, flower vases, iron bedstead, camp cots, dressing and washing tables, dressing glasses, clothes pr sses, chest of drawers, reclining couches, towel horses, books, &c.

No Catalogues, and the property is now on view.

AUCTION SALE of valuable and handsome household furniture, plated Glass and Porcelainware, a new Billiard Table, by Bennett, &c., at No. 68, Malabar Hill.

On WEDNESDAY, the 25th instant, at 1 P.M., Messrs. BENNETT and Co. are instructed to submit to Public Auction, at his residence, at the abovementioned place, the valuable and handsome household furniture, plated, glass, and porcelainware, a new billiard table, by Bennett, &c., the property of G. A. Kittredge Esq., changing his Residence.

Full particulars will be given hereafter.

AUCTION SALE of Valuable and Handsome Household Furniture, best plated, Glass and Porcelainware, Piano, Carriage, Horses, &c., at No. 161, Malabar Hill.

On SATURDAY, the 28th instant, at 1 P.M., Messrs. BENNETT and Co. are instructed to submit to Public Auction, at his Residence at the abovementioned place, the valuable and handsome Household Furniture, Plated, Glass and Porcelainware, Piano, Carriages, Horses, &c., the property of Dr. A. V. Ward, Presidency Surgeon.

Full particulars will be given hereafter.

Bombay, 10th November 1874. BENNETT & Co.

SALES BY AUCTION.

CRAWFORD AND COMPANY,
2, MARINE STREET, BOMBAY.

USUAL AUCTION SALE.

THIS DAY, TUESDAY, the 10th instant, at 2 P.M., Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co. will sell by Public Auction, at their Rooms :

15	cases	9-8 Printed Jaconets.
10	,,	9-8 small pat'n Printed Jaconets.
3	,,	Black Prints.
2	,,	Plain Coloured Book Muslin.
5	,,	T. Red Prints.
3	,,	Wool Sprig Muslin.
1	,,	Pictures in Maple Frames.
1	,,	India Rubber Pipe.
15	dz.	zen American Bedroom Chairs.
A rosewood cottage Pianoforte.		
2	cases	Peak Frean's assorted Biscuits.
Table, Chairs, Cupboard, Copying Press, Paper Cabinet, Blank Account Books, Stationery, &c.		
To close account—		
13	cases	ch mpagne grand vin Mousseux.

AUCTION SALE of valuable and handsome household furniture, plated, glass and propelsinware, English-built brougham, &c., at the S. P. G. Mission House, New Forss Road, Byculla.

On SATURDAY, the 14th day of November, instant, sale commencing at 1 p. m., Messrs. CRAWFORD & Co. are instructed to submit to Public Auction, at his residence at the S. P. G. Mission House, the handsome Household Furniture, Brougham, &c., of the Rev. George Lodgard.

Full particulars whereof will appear hereafter.

Catalogues will be printed, and the furniture will be on view 3 days before the day of sale.

FOR SALE by Public Auction, on WEDNESDAY, the 18th, and THURSDAY, the 19th day of November 1874, at No. 183, Malabar Hill, the property of Surgeon-General W. Thom.

Elegant carved blackwood and other household furniture, plate, Mappin's best cutlery and plateduare, cut and straw stem glassware, crockery from Daniell, Winton, and Phillips, consisting of large dinner service, breakfast and dinner services in basket pattern, also a handsome dessert service with velvet-covered stands for the dishes, and tea and coffee services of the celebrated Llanggeswarn, handsome large centre-piece and candelabra to match, with a few ornaments from the celebrated potteries of Winton and the Whitecombe Company, pictures in oil and water colour, with some of the best chromos ever executed, a beautiful toned piano, a large number of plants in tubs and pots.

Messrs. CRAWFORD & Co. beg to notify, that the SALE is *bona-fide*, and that the Kit is not sold to any dealer.

Catalogues are ready, and the property will be on view, on and after Wednesday next, the 11th instant.

SALE of Superior 2nd Class Moulmein Teak Squares, Boards and Scantlings.

On SATURDAY, the 21st instant, at 3 P.M., Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co. will submit to Public Auction, at Tank Bunder.

About 100 Tons Superior 2nd Class Moulmein Teak Squares, and at the Mazagon Dockyard.

About 100 Tons Teak Board and Scantlings of various sizes, in small convenient lots to suit the requirements of purchasers.

CRAWFORD & Co.

Bombay, 10th November 1874.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FORTNIGHTLY LINE OF STEAMERS BETWEEN BOMBAY AND TRIESTE, *via* SUEZ CANAL.

The regular steamers leave TRIESTE on the 1st and 16th, and BOMBAY on the 5th and 20th of every month.

THE Cargo Steamer DIDO, 1,200 Tons, which will be despatched from BOMBAY for TRIESTE, on the 20th instant, has room only for a few Passengers at £15 each.

The new First-class PASSENGER STEAMER "ETTORE," 3,500 Tons, 800 H.P., will be despatched from BOMBAY for TRIESTE in December, has splendid accommodation for First and Second-class Passengers.

RATES OF PASSAGE-MONEY PER ETTORE.

To Trieste	1st Class. £38	2nd Class. £25	Deck. £12-10
To Port Said	£33 6	£23 0	£14-6
To Suez	£32 8	£22 0	£13-7

No Cargo will be received on board after Sunset on the day previous to sailing.

For further particulars, and for Freight and Passage, apply to the Agency of the Austro-Hungarian Lloyd's Steam Navigation Company.

A. C. GUMPERT, Agent.

28, Bombay Green, 7th Nov. 1874.

NOTICE.—CONSIGNEES per s.s. TEVIOT, are hereby informed of the arrival of the vessel, and requested TO TAKE DELIVERY AT ONCE of their respective goods. No claim of any kind will be paid after the departure of the steamer, unless it be previously passed by the Captain.

W. NICOL AND CO, Agents.

Bombay, 9th November 1874.

NOTICE.—The HORSE SHOW at KOONDLA, in the Bhownuggur State, is POSTPONED till January. Cattle Fair ditto.

Precise date will be notified shortly.

H. NUTT, Captain.

Bhownuggur, 6th November 1874.

THE BOMBAY PRESS COMPANY, Limited. —The ADJOURNED GENERAL MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS of this Company will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, Victoria Bunder, Colaba, on SATURDAY next, the 14th instant, at 2-30 P.M., when it will be proposed further adjourn the Meeting un il after the decision of the Suit now pending against the Company.

By Order of the Board of Directors.
K. M. HEERAMANECK AND CO.
Secretaries and Treasurers.

Bombay, 7th November 1874.

BROACH COTTON COMPANY, Limited. —NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Shareholders of the above Company, will be held at the Registered Office, in Elphinsto n Circle, Bombay, on Tuesday, the 24th day of November next, at 3 P.M. to confirm the following Special Resolutions, passed at the Meeting held this day, viz :—

I. "That the Broach Cotton Company, Limited, be wound up voluntarily."

II. "That Messrs. Charles Douglas, Dwarkadas Yasonjee, and Magnus Mowat be and are hereby appointed Liquidators of the Company, and that their remuneration be Rs. 500 to be divided equally among them."

III. "That the said Liquidators be, and they are hereby authorised and empowered to sell, assign, and transfer to a Limited Joint Stock Company, about to be formed under the above Company, under the provisions of the Indian Companies' Act X. of 1866, to be called the Broach Cotton Ginning and Pressing Company, Limited, having a capital of Three and a half Lakhs of Rupees, divided into 1400 shares of Rs. 250 each, all the property, movable and immovable, including all the rights, credits, claims and goodwill of the said Broach Cotton Company, Limited' and to receive as the consideration for such sale and transfer 1,400 shares of the nominal value of Rs. 250 each, fully paid up in the said Broach Cotton Ginning and Pressing Company, Limited ; such 1,400 shares to be distributed among the Shareholders of the said Broach Cotton Company, Limited, so and in such manner that the holder of every share of Rs. 1,000 each in the said Broach Cotton Company, Limited, shall receive four shares of Rs. 250 each, fully paid up in the said Broach Cotton Ginning and Pressing Company, Limited, for each and every share of Rs. 1,000 each, held by him at the date of the sale to the said, Broach Cotton Company, Limited. That the said sale, transfer, and assignment to the said Broach Cotton Ginning and Pressing Company, Limited, be made subject to and in further consideration of the payment, discharge and performance by the said Broach Cotton Ginning, and Pressing Company, Limited, of all the debts and liabilities either actual or contingent, and of all the contracts and engagements of the said Broach Cotton Company, Limited, existing at the date of the said sale."

IV. "That the said Liquidators be and they are hereby authorised to exercise all the powers given by Section 171 of the said Act X. of 1866 to Liquidators.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
RITCHIE, STEUART & Co.,
Secretaries and Treasurers.

Bombay, 7th November 1874.

MAPS OF INDIA.

FOR SALE, at the "*Bombay Gazette*" Office, a number of MAPS of INDIA similar to those which are incorporated in the *Indian Travellers' Guide*.

PRICE TWO ANNAS.

SPECIAL SHORT ADVERTISEMENTS.

FOR SALE, a Handsome Roomy English-built LANDAU. Suitable for a Family. Cheap. Address "P.," care of *Bombay Gazette* Office.

BOMBAY UNION CRICKET CLUB.—MEMBERS elected to PLAY in the MATCH TO-DAY, ("Union vs. 2nd Queen's") are requested to be on the ground at 10 o'clock precisely.

TO BE LET, in KHAMGAUM, a BUNGALOW near Cotton Mart and Presses, which was occupied by Messrs. Macnaughten & Co., for last two years. For terms write to F. J. KELAWALLA, Khamgaum.

LOST, on the 7th November, a bundle of Steam-er Certificates, belonging to Hormusjee and Jamsetjee, Dubashes, from Borah Bazar St. to Apollo Bunder, by Herjeebhoy Framjee. Whoever brings them to their Office, Victoria Building, will receive a Reward of R. 15.

PRIME YORK HAMS and BACON just received. Price 13 annas per lb. BAPTY BROTHERS, 5, Elphinstone Circle, Fort.

PRINCESS OF WALES' and ENGLAND'S QUEEN, Lock-stitch, hand-sewing Machines, price in b x, Rs. 55 and Rs. 55, BAPTY BROTHERS, Fort. Also Queen's Press Chain-stitch Machine Rs. 30.

A GERMAN acquainted with English and French correspondence, Bookkeeping, &c., and connected with European houses, is desirous of getting employment. Please address R. 42, care of *Bombay Gazette*.

FRAUD.

On the 27th June, 1866, MOTEEWALLAH, a Printer, was convicted at the Supreme Court, Calcutta, of counterfeiting the

LABELS

Of Messrs. CROSSE and BLACKWELL, London, and was sentenced by Mr. Justice Phear to TWO YEARS' RIGOROUS IMPRISONMENT, And on the 30th of the same month, for SELLING SPURIOUS ARTICLES Bearing Labels in imitation of Messrs. CROSSE and BLACKWELL'S, Shaik Bacoo was sentenced, by the Suburban Magistrate at Sealdah, to TWO YEARS' RIGOROUS IMPRISONMENT.

CAUTION.—Any one selling *spurious Oilmen's Stores*, under Crosse and Blackwell's name, will be liable to the same punishment, and will be vigorously prosecuted. Purchasers are recommended to examine all goods carefully upon taking delivery of them, and to destroy all bottles and jars when emptied. The GENUINE Manufactures, the Corks of which are all branded with Crosse and Blackwell's name, may be had from EVERY RESPECTABLE DEALER IN INDIA.

NOTICES.

SASSOON DUNDER,
COLABA,

NOW Open for the Import and Export of Cotton and Wool.

LANDING OR SHIPPING CHARGE HALF ANNA PER BALE.

POLICE ORDER.—As the DEWALEE FESTIVAL is now approaching, the PUBLIC are hereby CAUTIONED that if any PERSON LETS OFF or THROWS any FIREWORK in or near any Public street, Road or Thoroughfare, he will be taken into Custody by the Police and dealt with according to law. The Police have been directed to strictly enforce this order.

F. H. SOUTER,
Commissioner of Police.

Bombay, 3rd November 1874.

BOMBAY FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY (Limited).—The above Company is prepared to EFFECT INSURANCES on the most favourable terms current in Bombay, and in addition return insurers 5 per cent. of the Premiums on Yearly Policies, and 2½ per cent. of the Premiums on Policies, for Shorter Periods.

FORBES & Co.,
Secretaries and Managers.

THE NORTH WESTERN HOTEL, LATE GREAT EASTERN BRANCH HOTEL, ALLAHABAD. —Is a FIRST CLASS ESTABLISHMENT, situated *within three minutes walk of the Railway Station* and *close to all the Public Offices, High Court*, &c., &c.

Every Care and attention is paid to the comfort and convenience of visitors.

The Table d'Hote is most carefully superintended, and the Wines, Beer, and Spirits are of the best and purest description.

WALTER NEWTON, Proprietor.

THE BOMBAY CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY (Limited).—NOTICE is hereby given, that the FIRST ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS of the above Company will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, No. 11, Hummum Street, Bombay, on FRIDAY, the 20th day of November 1874, at 4 o'clock P.M., for the purpose of transacting the following business :—

1st.—To receive and adopt the Directors' Report, and the audited Balance Sheet, made up to the 30th September 1874.

2nd.—To elect two Directors in the place of those retiring by rotation, but who are eligible for re-election.

3rd.—To appoint Auditors for the ensuing year, and to fix their remuneration.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the COMPANY will be CLOSED from the 23rd OCTOBER to the 20TH NOVEMBER (both days inclusive).

By Order of the Board of Directors,
C. E. MITCHELL & Co.,
Secretaries and Agents.

11, Hummum Street, Bombay, 22nd October 1874.

NOTICE.—HENRY LIDDELL, Esq., deceased.—PURSUANT to Act XXVIII. of 1866, of the Legislative Council of India, entitled "The Indian Succession (Mortgagees' Powers Act 1866." NOTICE is hereby given, that all PERSONS being CREDITORS of or otherwise having any CLAIMS upon or against the Estate of HENRY LIDDELL, Esquire, formerly of the East India Civil Service, and late of Fairoe Abbey, Kincardine on Forth, in the County of Perth, North Britain, deceased, who died on the 19th day of September 1873, and Letters of Administration of those personal Estate and Effects with the Real and Registered General Disposition and Settlement and the Testamentary Codicil annexed) were granted on the 11th and sealed on the 8th day of October 1874 by the High Court of Judicature at Bombay, JAMES ANDREW FORBES, of Bombay, Esquire, one of the Members of the firm of Messrs. Forbes and Co., are required on or before THURSDAY, the 12th day of November 1874, to send to the said Administrator at his Office, in Bombay Green, the particulars of their Claims upon or against the said Estate and that at the expiration of such time the Administrator will hand over the whole of the assets of the said deceased to ELIZA LIDDELL (the Executrix named in the said Registered General Disposition and Settlement), having regard only to the claims of which he shall then have notice. All persons indebted to the deceased's Estate or having property of his in their hands are hereby required to pay their debts or hand over such property to the said Administrator.—Dated this 12th day of October 1874.

CRAIGIE LYNCH AND OWEN,
Proctors, Bombay.

THE NEW BERAR COMPANY (Limited). —NOTICE is hereby given, that the FIRST ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS of the New Berar Company, limited, will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, Rampart Row, Treagher's Building, on FRIDAY, the 13th November, 1874, at 3 P.M., for the following business :—

1st—To receive the Directors' Report and the Audited Accounts up to the 30 h September 1874.

2nd—To declare a Dividend.

3rd—To elect Directors in the room of those who retire by rotation, but are eligible for re-election.

4th—To appoint Auditors, and fix their remuneration.

5th—To transact any other business which may be brought before the Meeting.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 5th to the 17th November 1874, both days inclusive.

By order of the Directors,
GADDUM & Co.,
Secretaries and Treasurers.

Bombay, 3rd November 1874.

THE NEW BERAR COMPANY (Limited).—NOTICE is hereby given, that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS of the above Company will be held at the Registered Office of the Company at 3-45 P.M., on FRIDAY, the 13th day of November, 1874, when it is intended to submit the following business, namely :—

Resolution for increasing the Capital of the Company by the issue of 500 New Shares of the nominal value of Rs. 100 each, and that the Sanction of the Company at such Meeting be given to the Directors for increasing such Capital accordingly. That holders of Original Shares shall be entitled to have one New Share for every four Original Shares held by them respectively (such New Share to be issued at par), provided such Original shareholder shall accept and take up their New Shares within the time, and in the manner to be prescribed by the said Directors. That the Directors shall be authorised to allot any New Shares not so accepted, and taken up as aforesaid, as and to whom they may in their discretion think fit, but so, nevertheless, that the same shall not be issued at a value below par, nor be offered for sale in the market. That a formal agreement between the Company and the Secretaries and Treasurers for a term of years should be made, and the Directors authorized to enter into the same on behalf of the Company.

The said Meeting will also be held for the purpose of considering and passing the following Special Resolution, namely, that Article 41 of the Company's Articles of Association be cancelled, and, in lieu thereof, the following be inserted :—

"Article 41. That any Shareholder not disqualified by law, as hereafter provided, shall, for and in respect of every share held by him, be entitled to give one vote on all questions, which may be submitted to any General or Extraordinary General Meeting."

By Order of the Directors,
GADDUM & Co,
Secretaries and Treasurers.

Bombay, 3rd November 1874.

WHAT TO GIVE AS WEDDING PRESENTS.

HAMILT

COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE.

BANKS.

No. of Shares	Nomi. value pch.	paid up.	Last divi-dend.	Names.	Cash Rates per Share.
	Rs.	Rs.	p. a.		
100,000	100	all	5 p.ct.	Agra Bank	91
22,000	1,000	all	12 pct.	Bank of Bengal	1 420
10,000	500	all	12p.ct.	Do of Bombay New	745
10,000	500	375	12p.ct.	Do 2nd Res. Issue	625
5,25	1,000	all	8 p.ct.	Do of Madras	1,200nom
10,000	250	all	8 p.ct.	Chartered Mercantile Bk of I. L. & China	200
40,000	281¼	all	12 pct.	Hong. & Shanghai Bank	409 ni
10,000	200	all	5 pct.	Chartered Bk. of I. & C.	175
1,000	250	125	5 p.ct.	National Bank of India	116xd
40,000	25	21	12 do.	Oriental Bank	515

PRESS COMPANIES.

150	5,000	2,85	100pc.	Akbar Cotton Press Co	1,750
200	2 000	1,100	50 do.	Albert Co. Kurrachee	760
100	50	all	12p.ct.	Albert Ginning Co	640
250	5,000	850	Nil.	Alexandra Press Co	1,010
250	1,000	200 00	...	Alfred Mill's Co	1,100
100	12,000	12,000	11 cpc	Apollo Press Co	4,000
10 0	500	all	..	Berar Company (New)	575
200	2,000	all	200pc.	Bombay Press Co	1,200
200	500	all	50 p.c.	Do New	675
250	1,000	1,000	65 p.c.	Broach Cotton Co	550
100	1,500	..	17½p.c.	Carwar Company	700
200	1,000	all	70 p.c.	Colaba Press Co	4,50 xd.
200	2,000	all	250p.c.	East India Press Co	2,000
100	5,500	all	Rs.250	Fort Press Co	4,200
5.0	2,000	2,000	75 p.c.	Framji Cowasji Press Co	200
2 0	500	all	100 p.c.	French Press Co	425
250	5,000	1,462	75 p.c.	Imperial Press Co	450
270	400	250	60 p.c.	Mofussil Press & G. Co.	480
20.0	2,000	500	...	Nicol Press Manuf. Co., Ld.	1,800
250	2,500	750	120 p.c.	Princeof Wales Press	1,500
2 0	1,000	all	200 p.c.	Sassoon's Press Co	1,600
400	250	750	45 p.c.	Scinde Press Co	375
200	1,000	750	Rs. 75	Scinde and Punjab Cotton Press Co., Limited	950
270	1,500	1,350	Rs. 90	Victoria Press, Madras	750
130	250	all	12p.ct.	Vic. Cot. Gin & Press Co	1,000
400	1,000	all	100pc.	Volkart's United Press Co	980

* Per share for the half year.

SPINNING AND WEAVING COMPANIES.

62	1,250	all	150	Alexandra Spinning	1 490
250	2,500	all	200	Alliance Spinning	3,155
200	2,500	all	..	Bhownuggur M. & P. Co	2,050
200	1,000	all	200pc	Bombay United	1,345
2,500	100	100	10 pc.	Broach Mills	250 xd
864	1,000	750	...	Colaba Spinning	1,190
2.40 0	1,000	all	100 p.c.	Dharumsey Spinning	1,725
1,000	1,25	all	125p.c.	Fleming S. W. Co	1,215
1,500	1,000	all	115pc.	Great Eastern	1,485
700	1,000	all	...	Hindustan S. W. Co	1,425
210	1,000	all	115p.c.	Jeevraj Balloo Mills	1,370
500	1,000	1,000	...	Khandelah Spinning	1,225
360	1,250	1,000	...	Madras Spinning	1,600
350	1,000	550	65 p.c.	Madras U. Spinning	1,225
1,760	1,000	all	...	Manockji Petit's	1,435
9..	1,000	all	200pc.	Morarjee Spinning	1,400
400	646	all	340	Oriental	830
600	1,250	250	...	Prince of Wales Spinning	250
60	1,000	1,000	150 p.c.	Soonderdas Spinning	1,500
800	1,000	25	31½p.c.	Do. do. 1/4 share	410

* Per share for the half-year.

LAND COMPANIES.

4,000	5,000	all	Rs. 60	Colaba Land Co	1,345
8,000	150	all	Nil.	Freze Land & Pier Co. Ld.	145
750	2,000	2,000	20p.c.	Mazagon Land	1,450
6,000	1,000	all	15p.c.	Port Canning Land Company, Limited	310

RAILWAY COMPANIES.

	£20	21 8 0	p.c	G. I. P. Railway Consolidated Stock
.....	£20	10 9 1 2	do.	Do. New £20 Shares
.....	£20	18 10 7 2	do.	Ditto
.....	£100	1,000	do.	B. B. & C. I. Railway Co.
.....	£15	19 5 0	do.	Do. New Shares

BANKS IN LIQUIDATION.

		Date of Liquidation			
.....	90	19½	...	Bank of China	1
.....	...	...	...	East India Bank	1
.....	200	13	Feb. '67	Indian Peninsula	1

MISCELLANEOUS.

.....	2,500	1,850	240pc.	Bombay Burmah Trading Corporation	1,600 x d
1,000	50	all	45p.ct.	Bombay Gas Company	65
500	...	300	9p.ct.	Landing and Shipping Co. of Kurrachee Ld.	155
2,150	200	100	8 p.c.	Malabar Company Ld.	100
4,000	...	all	12 pc.	Mechanics' Build'gs Co.	15
.....	500	all	45 pc.	Preacher & Co	370
.....	250	all	40 pc.	Vicgas Patent Ship Co	50

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

THE SHIP NIMROD, 899 tons, Captain H. Crocker, which arrived in harbour on the 7th instant from Rangoon (September 4th), brought a cargo of timber. The vessel is consigned to Messrs. Wallace and Co.

THE BARQUE SALUS, 315 tons, Captain W. Poland, which arrived in harbour on the 8th instant from Mauritius (October 10th), brought a cargo of 6,700 bags sugar, and Mrs. Poland, and six deck passengers. The vessel is consigned to Hajee Adam Ledick.

THE SHIP ARRATOON APCAR from London, arrived at Calcutta on Thursday last with the following passengers:—Miss M. Hogge, Miss E. Hogge, Miss Nazar, Miss Francoys, Mr. Thomson, Mr. Souter, Mr. Ansell, Mr. M. Peters, Mr. McPherson, Mr. Fox, Mr. Dyer, Mr. Davidson, Mr. Duncan, Mr. D. Esmond, Mr Paton 1 Native.

THE B. I. S. N. Co's ss. PENANG, 475 tons, Captain J. Avery, will sail to-day for Kattywar, Coast and Kurrachee, with a general cargo and the following passengers:—For Kutch Mandvie:—Colonel and Mrs. Parr and ten servants. For Kurrachee:—Major Pottinger and two servants, Mr. C. Edwards, Mr. and Mrs. T. Watson, four children, and servant, and five deck passengers.

THE B. I. S. N. Co's ss. INDIA, 656 tons, Captain J. Henderson, arrived in harbour yesterday from the Persian Gulf via Kurrachee, with a general cargo and the following passengers:—Colonel and Mrs. Lamund the following passengers:—Colonel and Mrs. Lamund the following passengers:—Colonel and Mrs. Lamund

LATEST INTELLIGENCE.

[REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.]

MR. GLADSTONE AND THE ROMAN CATHOLICS.

REPLY OF ARCHBISHOP MANNING TO MR. GLADSTONE'S PAMPHLET.

LONDON, 9TH NOVEMBER.

Archbishop Manning has published a letter in reply to the pamphlet issued by Mr. Gladstone addressed to English Roman Catholics. His Grace affirms that the decrees of the Vatican have not affected the Civil allegiance of Roman Catholics, which he asserts is as pure, as true, and as loyal as that of any subjects of the Empire, but at the same time the Civil allegiance of every Christian must be limited by his own conscience.

SPAIN.

MADRID, 8TH NOVEMBER.

It is announced from the North, that Republican re-inforcements have arrived at Irum and have compelled the Carlists to abandon the siege of that place.

LIVERPOOL WEEKLY COTTON REPORT.

LONDON, 7TH NOVEMBER, AFT.

The Liverpool Cotton Market closed quiet but unchanged.

The London Cotton Market has been dull.

Fair Dhollera 5 1/16d.

Exchange on India	1s. 10⅛d.
Oriental Bank Shares	£45
Chartered „	£15
Do. Mercantile „	£23
Hongkong & Shanghai Shares	£26-10
Total Coin in the Bank of France	£50,875,000
Do. Notes in circulation	£102,875,000
4 per cent. Rupee Paper	95.
4½ do. do.	95½.
5½ do. do.	101½.
3 per cent. Consols, for account	93⅛.
5 do. French Rente, 1872	93⅛.
Bar Silver	57 13/16

The sum of £87,000 has been paid into the Bank of England.

The American Cotton Crop is estimated by the Agricultural Bureau at [illegible] bales, should the closing of the season be favourable; and at over 3½ millions of bales should the closing prove remarkably favourable.

THE SUPPOSED NANA SAHIB.

(SPECIAL TELEGRAM FOR THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE.")

CAWNPORE, 9TH NOVEMBER.

Grave doubts exist in the minds of the investigating authorities on the identity of the prisoner with the Nana Sahib.

A date will be fixed for the public examination of witnesses.

Nothing may be determined upon for a few days. Possibly by Saturday next, matters will be decided.

The Horse Show and Cattle Fair, which were to have been held this month at Koondla in the Bhownuggur State, have been postponed till January.

VETERINARY SURGEON C. PERCIVALL, 11th Hussars, has, we are told, been selected by H. E. the Commander-in-Chief, to proceed to Ajmere to attend the Pokur Fair for the purpose of assisting the Committee in judging the merits of animals competing for the Imperial Horse prizes.

The Government of Bombay have issued a notification constituting a number of places in the Presidency that were municipalities under the old Mofussil Municipal Act, Municipal Districts under the Mofussil Municipalities Act which was discussed and agreed to in the Legislative Council last year.

With reference to the subject of utilizing the stock of cattle purchased by Government for famine relief operations, the Commissary General at Bombay, we read, has consented to take up some 200 males for the Commissariat Department as has been done in Bengal, and has deputed an officer to select the animals.

News has just been received that the B. B. and C. I. Railway Company's Bassein mail train ran off the line at Bassein on Sunday night. The immediate cause of the accident has been constituted quite a mystery, and happily for the passengers, no other vehicles, with the exception of the Engine, tender, and a horse box, went off the line. When matters come to be known, it is whispered, that the reason will probably be a mismanaged point or semaphore. The Engine of the Verar train from Bombay hooked on to the Bassein mail and brought it into Bombay at eleven o'clock on Sunday night.

The *Indian Daily News* is informed that the fire at Ranegunge, though undoubtedly of considerable extent, is not one that is likely to inflict loss on any of the coal Companies. It is, in fact, the renewal of the former fire; but the mine has been abandoned, and its burning or not, is said to be of comparatively little consequence. It may burn itself out in time, for communication with other mines has been cut off. This, our contemporary observes, may be true, and yet it would be all the better, if the fire could be subdued, if we may judge from the following telegram, received after the above was written:—"The fire has broken out in a new place. The Soory Road is falling in. Fire raging frightful; can be seen in Ranegunge hundreds of feet high."

The *Englishman* has received from the second mate of the ship County of Perth, the following particulars of the escape of the crew of the third boat of the ship whose arrival at Contai we announced yesterday:—The boats, it appears, left the ship at about 8 P. M. of the 27th ult., and some three hours afterwards, the second mate and his crew, having lost sight of the other boats, made for the light of a ship which was sighted. Notwithstanding every exertion, however, they were unable to reach this ship, which took no notice of them. The boat, which, was deep in the water, and laboured heavily was then steered for land, and a sail was made out of the boat cover, and se. Cloths were also lashed round the bows to break the force of the sea. In spite of a severe squall which was encountered, land was sighted near Chandpur at day-break of the 29th. During the whole of that day, the mate and crew remained by their boat, and, we regret to hear, were subjected to a series of depredations by crowds of natives of the place, having their cars and a great part of their effects plundered. On the morning of the 30th, some of the crew, despatched for the purpose by the second mate, found a native named Babu Naraj an Das, who spoke a little English, and who agreed to convey them to Contai, on their making over the boat to him as security. After detaining them in his house till 2 P.M., this man conveyed them to Contai, where they were most kindly treated by Mr. Barber, the Magistrate, and Mr. Taylor, the Executive Engineer. From Contai, they were brought to Calcutta by the Sir William Peel, which was despatched from Calcutta for the purpose. Some portion of the property stolen at Contai was, we are told, recovered by the Magistrate, who sentenced the guilty parties to twelve months' imprisonment.

ADDITIONAL PASSENGERS BY THE HOMEWARD MAIL.

The P. and O. Co.'s s.s. TRAVANCORE, Capt. Charles Anderson, sailed yesterday for Southampton via the Suez Canal, with the English Mail, and the following additional passengers:—

For Southampton.—Captain Kennett, Miss Mary Sim, and Mr. Williams, and three children.

For Venice.—Captain Noverre.

For Suez.—Mr. Hone.

THE SHORT DELIVERY QUESTION.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—I have been very attentively reading the comments of the newspapers on the decision of Mr. Gunputrao Bhasker, the 3rd Judge of the Small Causes Court, in the case of the short delivery of iron plates by Captain Harrison of the steamer Parsee, and I find that one important fact appears to have been overlooked by the Judge and the advocate of the plaintiffs, and that is, that the Captain is virtually responsible for the correct deliveries of the iron plates (irrespective of the legal quibblings) inasmuch as he has signed the General Import Manifest of the cargo of the steamer entered in the Custom-House at the time of the arrival of the vessel in the harbour, and which document is a declaration on the Captain's part, that he has on board his steamer the whole of the cargo enumerated in the Manifest, and the iron plates of course form part of the same.

If the importer had not paid the Customs duty on the goods before receiving their delivery, the Customs authorities would have looked to the Captain for the payment of such duty.

I am sure if the plaintiffs based their arguments on the above plea, it would have ended differently and the decision of the Judge, no doubt, would have been quite the reverse.—Yours truly,

F. T. MEERJAH.

Bombay, 9th November.

A HINT TO THOSE CONCERNED.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—Having observed an article in the *Bombay Gazette* the other day, regarding pilgrims, in which it has been commented that a medical man should accompany all pilgrim ships to "Jedda" after the late *plague* in that port, "Late Sufferer" is perfectly justified in bringing this to light. I, as an old Hajee, who has been to the shrine of Mahomed, to "Mecca" three different times, two of which voyages I performed on board of Messrs. Nicol's Steamers, where the welfare of the passengers were strictly attended to, particularly by the Doctor on board. The last voyage was made on board a sailing vessel belonging to my countryman, in which both myself and fellow passengers acutely felt the want of medical aid, owing to inevitable diseases breaking out among us, and no one to administer to the comforts of the passengers, in water, cleanliness, &c., &c., and the consequence was that a number died, and were thrown overboard.

From this it is opened to the eyes of the public, that native ship owners do not care a farthing for the sacrifice of lives of human beings, and their brothers in faith, religion, so long as they can secure the passage money. The voyage in Messrs. Nicol's Steamer, I can only compare to the first rising sun, and that in my country man's sailing ship like to the dark nights.

Where is Doctor Blaney our able townsman?

Bombay, 5th November. HAJEE.

THE CHANCE OF PROMOTION IN THE CIVIL SERVICE OF THE PRESENT DAY.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—At the head of the Bombay Civil List of July 1854, stands the name of Eden Elliot, who entered the Service in 1815, and had, up to date of the compilation, actually resided in India 38 years, 1 month, and 17 days Gilbert Elliot's name is the last and 123rd of the List, Mr. Tucker is the Senior Civilian of the List published in October 1874, having 31 years 9 months and 1 day of service. Mr. Alexander Cumine is the 173rd and last name on that list. This comparison must be highly suggestive to juniors in the Service, as to what their chances of promotion are. The Service is now stronger in point of number by fifty names than it was twenty years ago. But it has lost these appointments:—

1	Accountant General-ship held in 1854	Eden Elliot.
2	Sub-Treasurer-ship do	T W Haygarth.
3	Military Accountant-ship do	do Gilbert Blane.
4	Inspector General-ship of Police, and Police and Commissioner-ship held in 1854	A Bettington.
5	Senior Magistracy of Police at Bombay do	A K Corfield.
6	Commissioner-ship of Scinde do	do Barnie Frere.
7	Civil Auditor-ship do	do G Erskine.
8	Inam Commissioner-ship do	do C T Manson.
9	Settlement Officer do	do Alex Rogers.
10	Assistant to Fol. Agent S M Country do	E P Down.
11	Assistant to Inam Commissioner do	do F Chapman.

For which it is compensated by having 18 appointments of Collectors, against 13 in 1854, and 28 judicial appointments, including two Scinde Judgeships and one Kattiawar appointment, against 23 appointments under the regime, of 1854, and there are a few special appointments held now by Civilians which were not in existence in 1854. But these are not reserved for the Civil Service.

Now, I will examine the prospects of promotion from another point of view. In 1854 Mr. Ogilvy was 30th on the list, having 23 years of service, and 16 years, 5 months, 27 days of actual residence in India. In 1874, Mr. Gilbert Elliot is 30th on the list, having 20 years 9 months 6 days of service, and 15 years and 16 days of actual residence in India. Apparently this is not a large difference. But, taken in connection with the fact, that the first 23 persons of the list of 1854 had all of them completed 25 years of service, and that nine of them had done 30 years of service, Mr. Ogilvy's chance of getting to the top of the Service, say in ten years, was much better than, than Mr. Elliot's is now, seeing that to-day two men in the Service have completed 30 years service, and there are in all only eleven persons who have achieved the 25 years of service, and 21 years of residence necessary to entitle them to retire if they choose to do so. How many of them are likely to do so? is a question any junior may answer for himself, perhaps with greater ease than satisfaction.

Next, I notice, that Mr. Alexander Gray, whose name stands 60th on the list of 1854, had 21 years service, and 10 years 9 months 19 days of residence in India; and that Mr. Nairne, who is now 60th on the list, has 18 years 10 months 16 days of service, and 14 years 1 month 10 days of residence. But Mr. Gray, who was in Europe in 1854, was in a position of the list, which, as things were then, entitled him to a collectorate, and Mr. Nairne is now a First Assistant and is likely to remain so for some few years. But Mr. Nairne's chance for promotion is much better than that of Mr. George Grant's, a Revenue officer 92nd on the list, who has 10 years 1 month 29 days of service, and 9 years, 9 months, 3 days, of residence. But that officer has, as far as ordinary probabilities are concerned, a poor chance of reaching the 12th place on the Civil list, and Chief Secretary-ship to Government, which Mr. Chapman did between 1854 and to-day, and it must be noted that he has been Chief Secretary since April 1865. Looking to present prospects, and rate of promotion, Mr. Grant will be a very old man ere he rises from the 92nd place, which he occupies on the list, to the 12th place where is Mr. Chapman to-day, who got his 80 steps in twenty years. But advance 30 steps further on in the list of 1874, and ask Mr. Crawley Boevey who is 120th in the Service, and has six years service, when he means to touch the 42nd place. Where is Mr. Gerard Norman, who has just been made an Acting Collector? And, in considering this matter, Mr. Boevey should bear in mind, that in 1854 Mr. Gilbert Elliot was 123rd and last man in the Service, and that it took him nearly 21 years to rise 93 places, notwithstanding the benefit he derived from retirements of twenty-three persons on the list of 1854, all of whom could retire if they choose; whereas only eleven men can do so to-day, even if they be so minded. Mr. Boevey's chances of promotion do not appear rosy. But what shall we say of Mr. Alexander Cumine's opportunities? How long will it take him to gain the 130 odd steps which will place him at the point of the Service where the junior ActingCollector now is? Twist the figures as you will, examine the probabilities any how, and the chances of promotion of more than two-thirds of the members of the Service are simply appalling.

What remedies there may be ought surely to occupy the attention of the juniors. I have made suggestions in a previous letter, which has apparently attracted no attention at all. And yet the matter of optional retirement after 12 years' service is of undoubted importance to the Government, and to the Service. The Invalid Pensions are fixed at such small figures of income as to be absolutely prohibitive of retirement. Men out of health and spirits are compelled to hang on, and complete the full period of service, because they know that nothing short of imbecility could justify their accepting a pittance which would barely feed and clothe them. And the Government finds itself compelled to keep in office men anxiously aware of infirmity, which is as damaging to the public weal as it is to the individual sufferers. There are grounds of justice, too, to the Service, on which minor pensions should be conceded to members wanting them. In the days of the Company, an Invalid Pension of £500 per annum was granted after ten years' service; and considering how much the Service contributes to the Annuity Fund, and noticing how other Crown services are dealt with in the matter of pensions, the Indian Civil Service has very strong claims to urge for a liberal scale of optional retiring pensions calculated to relieve the Services from the chronic congestion which afflicts them, and ease the lot of members who are painfully aware how very much their condition of mind and body, unsuited for active service in India, is aggravated by the conviction that there can be no escape for them, or for the Government, till 25 years of service and 21 years of residence have been completed. The same plethora affects all the Indian Civil Service, and is a matter which demands heedful consideration of the members and of Government.

CIVILIAN.

INDIAN NEWS-LETTER.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

HYDERABAD DECCAN, 7TH NOVEMBER.

SIR SALAR JUNG'S PROPOSED VISIT TO CALCUTTA.

The rumour is gaining ground that Sir Salar Jung will proceed to Calcutta immediately after the termination of the Ramazan, but as the object of His Excellency's visit has not transpired, and your correspondent does not profess to a knowledge of State secrets, or to deal in prophecies, or hazy surmises, he would prefer to leave the matter in the region of "things unknown."

THE PROPOSED LINE TO CHANDA.

The last issue of the *Deccan Times* contains a paragraph regarding the proposed line of railway from Hyderabad to Chanda, the construction of which, it states, is to be proceeded with at once. This I am in a position to contradict. Indeed, any one who knows anything of the effect that the cost of constructing the State Railway has had upon the Hyderabad Treasury will not attach any importance to this statement. The sinews of Government appear to be sensibly slackened by the depletion which the coffers of the State have had to sustain during the last two years in the construction of the line which has just been completed, and it will be a long time before the finances can reach a condition to meet the cost of another equally expensive undertaking. Under any circumstances it is not at all probable that the proposed line to connect the coal fields with Hyderabad will be constructed until the financial success of the recently completed State Railway is thoroughly established, as serious doubts are entertained as to whether the latter will pay even the interest on the capital after working expenses have been met. Talking of the financial success of this undertaking reminds me of a lecture delivered by Major Evans Bell at the East India Association in which the following passage occurs:—

"Native States are indeed allowed to live, but are not allowed to move and have their being in the paths they choose for themselves. They are pressed to make roads, but we dictate their direction. The enlightened statesman the Nawab Sir Salar Jung who rules the dominions of the infant Nizam consented—not I suspect without reluctance—to have a State Railway constructed from the British frontier up to the walls of Hyderabad. The capital of one crore and eighteen (now 25) lacs was raised, the interest being guaranteed by the Nizam's Government. The work is in progress, and, the more nearly it approaches completion, the more clearly does the Minister perceive how the toils are closing round him, and how deeply this useless and *unprofitable* railroad—for it was never wanted except for our own military purposes *and never can pay*—has committed and compromised the local independence of the Hyderabad State." The italics are mine. Major Bell may be correct in his views as regards the financial aspect of the question, but this much must be said, that, even if the Government does not realize any pecuniary profit from this expensive undertaking, the benefits which it will confer both directly and indirectly upon the country are important and incalculable.

THE NIZAM'S PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

The reorganization of the Nizam's Public Works Department is still dragging its slow length along, with but little prospect of an early settlement of the long pending matter. In a recent leader of yours, you remark with much truth that this Department has full scope to prove its powers by *deeds* not *words*, and that upon it depends very much of the future prosperity of the country.—Exactly so.—But the difficulty is, to get the "powers that be" to view the matter in this light.—As at present constituted, the Department cannot possibly be expected to do much towards promoting the prosperity of the country, and, until it is thoroughly re-modelled and worked upon a different system, it will continue to be, as it has hitherto been, a very heavy drain upon the Treasury, and that is all. A great deal of discontent appears to prevail among the subordinate grades of the Department, the members of which complain that they have been unjustly kept out of their promotion. Their grievance is, that while that portion of the new scheme which affected only the higher paid officials of the Department, by increasing their emoluments, had been taken in hand in hot haste and carried into effect some eighteen months ago, the other portion which chiefly concerns the subordinate staff has been unaccountably postponed from time to time and still remains in *statu quo*. This invidious proceeding on the part of the Government has, as may be expected, given rise to no very friendly feeling between the favored and unfavored classes, and it is therefore not a matter of surprise that the Nizam's D.P.W. is not working as smoothly as it should, and that Government interests are not looked after better than they are.

ANOTHER VOLUNTEER TO IDENTIFY THE NANA SAHIB.

It is rumoured that Captain Catania of the Nizam's Reformed Troops is about proceeding to Gwalior to identify the Nana. Captain Catania, who was a resident of Cawnpore for six years, was, I believe, intimately acquainted with the Nana. The announcement of the capture of this arch-fiend was received here with incredulity, it being difficult to believe that so crafty an individual would have made known his presence in the country to Scindia, without first ascertaining whether that potentate would be disposed to befriend him.

A COMING HISTORY OF HYDERABAD.

Mr. Syed Hoossain, an educated Mahomedan gentleman from Delhi, is compiling a history of Hyderabad from its earliest periods up to the present time. The author has been collecting materials for the work during the last two years, and, as the compilation will doubtless contain information on a variety of subjects in addition to historical facts and events, it will no doubt prove a useful book of reference to many unacquainted with the past history of Hyderabad and with the manners and customs of its people.

MISCELLANEOUS.

The Post Office people here appear to require looking after, as our Mails which arrive by the evening train, between 6 and 7 p.m., are not delivered till next morning, so that the time that is unnecessarily allowed to elapse between the arrival and delivery of the post is about twelve hours. Surely something might be done to remedy this, and it is hoped that the Inspecting Post master will see to it at once.

The weather is clear and warm, and, considering the heavy rains that have fallen every where this year, it is somewhat surprising that the cold season has not yet set in here. The thermometer, while I write, stands at 80 deg. in the shade. Our total rainfall since 1st January is 29·41 inches. Market prices are falling.

The Dewalee Festival begins to-day and the Courts and some of the Public Offices will in consequence be closed for the next three days. During this feast, the native portion of the town puts on a very lively appearance. The people are all clothed in holiday attire; the houses, shops and bazaars are whitewashed and decorated for the occasion, and there is a grand display of fireworks and illuminations for three successive nights.

BOMBAY.

DEWALI HOLIDAYS.—The Fort and Girgaum Police Courts will be entirely closed to-day and to-morrow on account of Dewali.

ELOPEMENT.—The Parsee girl who, we stated yesterday, eloped on Friday night last, belonged not to the Bottlewalla, as misprinted, but the Butteewalla family.

FIRE.—On Sunday forenoon, the bedding in a house, in Bapoo Khote Street, suddenly took fire and was fortunately speedily put out before further damage was done.

LETTING OFF FIREWORKS IN THE PUBLIC STREETS.—Twenty-one natives were convicted and fined a rupee each by Mr. Nana Morojee yesterday, for letting off fireworks in the street.

RABID DOGS.—These animals seem to be prowling about yet, for on Sunday evening as a Hindoo woman was passing Dhobie Talao, she was severely bitten by a strag dog, and had to be conveyed to Hospital.

DRUNK AND DISORDERLY.—There were no less than twenty men brought up before Mr Nana Morojee at the Fort Police Court yesterday morning on charges of being drunk and disorderly on the previous night. They were all fined from four annas to a rupee. Three of them were Europeans.

FORT POLICE COURT.—Besides the morning cases yesterday, nothing else was taken up by Mr. Nana Morojee, the sitting Magistrate. There were three or four cases of assault where the fines were nominal; three cases of petty theft, and one of obstructing a Tramway car.

ACCIDENTALLY DROWNED.—A Hindu woman named Yessoo, accidentally slipped into a quarry on Sunday evening last, and before any assistance could be rendered, she was drowned. At the Coroner's inquest, yesterday, a verdict of "accidental death from drowning" was returned.

THEFT AT THE GANT ROAD STATION.—A native passenger by the Baroda train arrived at Grant Road station on Friday evening, and after having his luggage was all correct, placed them in a cart. On reaching home, a box containing sundries was missing. Search for it has been unsuccessful.

We have received a communication from a gentleman residing in the vicinity of the Grant Road Station Bridge, complaining that an intolerable nuisance is committed there at all hours. The Inspector told off for this locality appears to require a hint upon the subject. Perhaps the Health Officer will make a note of it.

THEFT IN MAZAGON CHAPEL.—On Sunday last, a very grand service was held at the Mazagon Roman Catholic Chapel in Nesbit Lane, in celebration of a festival. The High Mass and principal service commenced and lasted nearly three hours. During the service, some person unknown, entered the vestry and walked off with a small brass clock valued at Rs. 20. The Revd. Father Dolling who reported the matter to the Police yesterday, has also mentioned suspected parties.

WILFUL DISOBEDIENCE OF LAWFUL COMMAND.—At the Fort Police Court yesterday, before Mr. Nana Morojee, eight European seamen of the s.s. Hutton, now in harbour, were charged with the abovementioned offence. Captain Hodges, the Commander of the ship, stated that the prisoners refused to work before 7 o'clock in the morning. He was supported in his evidence by the Chief and Second Engineer. The men seemed to have been labouring under a false impression as to time, and when His Worship had convinced them of this, they expressed their willingness to work. They were accordingly discharged.

DELINQUENCY OF A MUCCADUM:—On the 26th September last, a merchant by name Umumull Thakoordass, delivered 26 bales of wool to his Muccadum to be taken on board the steamer which was to start for Bombay about that date; on the same evening, he received information from a private source that the Muccadum had shipped only 24 bales. He made enquiries the following day, and succeeded in finding the missing bales, which were stowed away on board a country craft, the owners's marks and the gunny coverings having been changed for others. The result was the apprehension of three boatmen and a Cutchee who had conveyed the bales to the craft. The case is under investigation in the City Magistrate's Court. The wool was identified by the prosecutor as being part of the consignment he forwarded to Bombay by steamer.—*Sindian*

INTERFERING WITH THE TRAMWAY.—On last Sunday night between 9 and 10 o'clock, as a Tramway car was proceeding near the Fort Police Court, crowded with passengers; a few Parsees who were crossing the road at the time from the Esplanade-side stopped, and one of them threw a mat right in front of the horses. As many of the passengers remarked, had not the driver been dexterous in applying the break and swerving the horses on one side, the animals would have taken fright, and on account of the crowded state of the road, the result might have been serious.

The driver, on stopping the horses, jumped off the car and seized the man who had thrown the mat across the line, just as the latter was trying to take it up, when two or three other Parsees came up and all of them assulted the driver. The latter held out against them very pluckily, and some of the passangers, it is said, ran off and brought the Police who took the man into custody.

Yesterday morning, the accused, whose name is Jamsetjee Sorabjee, was brought up before Mr. Nana Moorjee on a charge of obstructing a tramway car on the public road, and endangering the safety of the passangers.

When Mr. Hills, Superintendent of the Tramway Company, was on his way up to the Court, he saw the two men who had committed the assault, standing down stairs as witnesses for the accused. On their finding out that they were discovered, the men tried to escape. One was successful, but the other was detained. The hearing of the case, for want of time, was adjourned by His Worship for eight days, the prisoner, being admitted to bail on Rs. 500.

(ADVERTISEMENT.)

HYDERABAD CITY RACES.—1874-75.

STEWARDS.

Mookoodum Jung Bahadoor
Burruck Jung Bahadoor
Colonel Hackett
Major A H E Campbell
Capt J Boardman
Capt Ahmed Abdoola
Kum-Kum-ood Dowlah (Gah lub Jung Bahadoor)
Jamadar Joonuth Khan
M H Wilkinson, Esqr
Noel H L Woods, Esqr
Henry Ogelvie, Esqr
G H Farrell, Esqr

C B Dunlop, Esqr, Hon Secretary.

1ST DAY, SATURDAY, 10TH DECEMBER 1874.

THE HYDERABAD HURDLE RACE.

First Race.—A Purse value Rs. 400. A Hurdle race for all horses. Winners once 7 lbs., oftener 12 lbs. extra. 1½ mile and a distance, over six flights of hurdles.

Entrance 15th November 1874..... Rs. 25.
„ 15th December 1874..... „ 50.

THE PONY HURDLE RACE.

Second Race.—Rs. 150 from the fund. For all Ponies (Arabs excepted) Catch weights. Entrance Rs. 5. To be entered by noon the day before the race. Distance 1½ mile.

THE DECCAN GOLD CUP.

Third Race.—A piece of Plate value Rs 1,000, presented by H H the Nizam's Government; with Rs 500 in specie added from the fund. For Maiden Arabs. Winners once 3 lbs, twice 5 lbs., three or oftener 7 lbs. Maidens of the meeting allowed 3 lbs. Weight for age. Distance 1½ mile.

Entrance 15th November 1874..... Rs 25
„ 15th December 1874..... Rs 50

SIR SALAR JUNG'S CUP.

Fourth Race.—A Cup value Rs. 750, presented by His Excellency Sir Salar Jung Bahadoor. For all horses. Winners of races value Rs. 750 and upwards, once 5 lbs., twice 8 lbs., three times or oftener 10 lbs. extra. Winners of races of less value, once 2 lbs., twice 3 lbs., three times or oftener 5 lbs. extra. Weight for age and class. Distance 1½ mile.

Entrance 15th November 1874..... Rs. 25
„ 15th December 1874..... „ 50

2ND DAY, TUESDAY, 22ND DECEMBER 1874.

THE CIVILIANS' CUP.

First Race.—A Cup value Rs. 750, with Rs. 250 in specie, presented by the Civilians in H. H. the Nizam's Service. A Steeple Chase. Winners once 7 lbs, twice or oftener 10 lbs. extra, winners of Steeplechases, or Hurdle Races at Moulali a special additional penalty of 3 lbs. for each race won. Weight for age and class raised 28 lbs. Distance 2½ miles.

Entrance 15th November 1874..... Rs. 25.
„ 15th December 1874..... „ 50.

THE SUDR-UL-MHAM'S CUP.

Second Race.—A Purse value Rs. 750 presented by the Sudr-ul-Mhams of H. H. the Nizam's Government. A handicap for all Horses. Handicap to be made by noon the 12th December and declarations by noon the day before the race. Distance 1¼ mile.

Entrance 15th November 1874 .....Rs. 25.
„ 15th December 1874 ..... „ 50.

THE ARABIAN PURSE.

Third Race.—Value Rs. 750 presented by the Arab Jemadars residing in Hyderabad. A Handicap for all Arabs. Terms the same as the Sudr-ul Mham's Purse.

THE CHARGER STAKES.

Fourth Race.—A Purse value Rs. 250. For all Chargers owned by Subscribers to the Races, who are Officers of H. H the Nizam's Regular Force. For all horses. Weight for age and class raised 28 lbs. ¾ mile.

Entrance 15th November 1874..... Rs. 20
„ 15th December 1874..... „ 40.

3RD DAY, THURSDAY, 24TH DECEMBER 1874.

THE UTTER DAN.

First Race.—A piece of Plate value Rs. 400 presented by the Nawab Shums-ool-Oomrah Ameer-i-Kubeer Bahadoor. A Handicap for all Arabs. Forced for Winners at Rs. 50 for each race won. Open to losers at Rs. 25 p. p. 1¼ Mile.

THE CHANGARI DAN.

Second Race.—A piece of Plate value Rs. 400 presented by the Nawab Vikar-ool-Oomrah Bahadoor. A Handicap for all Horses except Arabs. Forced for winners at Rs 50 for each race won. Open to losers at Rs 25 p.p. 1¼ mile.

THE STAND PLATE.

Third Race.—A Cup value Rs 500, a Handicap for all horses the property of Residents in H H the Nizam's Dominions that have not run in 1st Class races at Moulali meeting. 1 mile.

Entrance.....Rs 40 P.P.

Entrances for these Handicaps to be made by 9 A.M. the 2nd day of the meeting. Declarations to start by noon the day before the race.

THE HYDERABAD PLATE.

Fourth Race.—A Cup value Rs. 500 for all Arabs. Weights for age and inches. Maidens allowed 7 lbs. Maidens of the day 10 lbs. Horses entered in this race must be the property of Residents in H. H. the Nizam's Dominions.

Entrances 1st December ..... Rs. 40 P. P.

RULES.

1. Calcutta Turf Club Rules (local Rules excepted.) Decision of the Stewards final on all points.
2. All except aged horses and aged galloways will be aged and measured by the Stewards on a date to be fixed by them not more than 10 days before the Meeting. The Stewards reserve to themselves the right of accepting or rejecting all certificates of age produced before them.
3. All declarations to start are to be made to the Secretary at Chudderghaut by noon the day previous to each Race.
4. Races to which Rs. 400 and upwards from the Fund, or from private donation is given are to be considered first class races: three horses from *bona fide* different stables, and on different interests, to start, or the cup, purse, or added money will be withheld, save when otherwise specified in terms of race.
5. Horses running in these races, will not be allowed to start for a second class race. Races to which less public money than Rs. 400 is given, and Steeple-chases, and Hurdle Races, will be considered second class races, and horses running in them, will not be allowed to start for a first class race.
6. All Officers' chargers must have been ridden on five parades previous to the Races.
7. Gentlemen starting horses for 1st class races to pay Rs. 50 less. Second class races Rs. 25, to the Fund. Subscribers of less than Rs 10 will not be admitted to the Stand or enclosures, or allowed to take part in the lotteries. No forced subscription for Pony races.
8. The Winners of each Race except Ponies are to pay Rs. 5 to the fund. The Winners of each Lottery are to pay 10 per cent on gross amount of Tickets to the fund.
9. A course fee of Rs. 5 will be charged for every horse cantering or galloping on the course, and that must be paid to the Secretary on the first day the horse canters or gallops thereon. This rule will come into force from the 1st November 1874.
10. Horses landed in India within 12 months of the meeting allowed 3 lbs.; within 8 months 5 lbs. except in handicaps.
11. Halfee Sicca Currency, payments to or by parties at a distance to be reckoned at market rates.
12. Any person lodging an objection will be required to deposit Rs. 50 in the hands of the Secretary, which will be forfeited if the objection be decided as frivolous.
13. European Professional Jockies are to carry 7 lbs. extra.
14. The fee for ageing, or measuring, or both, namely Rs. 5, must be sent with the horse, otherwise he will not be aged or measured.
15. All applications for stabling, and sites for tents, to be addressed to the Honorary Secretary, not later than 15th November, in order that arrangments may be made for the required number of stalls for horses and servants, and for forage, &c.
16. Hurdle and Steeple-chase races to be run under Grand National rules.

Hyderabad Deccan, October 1874.

All communications regarding these Races to be addressed to

THE HONORARY SECRETARY
HYDERABAD CITY RACES,
HYDERABAD—DECCAN.

TANNA EIGHTH CRIMINAL SESSIONS OF 1874.

(Before W. M. P. COGHLAN, Esq., Sessions Judge, and H. J. PARSONS, Esq., Assistant Sessions Judge.)

CULPABLE HOMICIDE, &c.

BALU JIWA was charged—first, with having committed culpable homicide not amounting to murder, by causing the death of his wife Walki at Kulgaum in the Shahapur talooka of the Tanna, district on or about the 10th of October 1874; secondly, with having caused grievous hurt on grave and sudden provocation to his wife Walki at Kulgaum in the Shahapur talooka of the Tanna district, on or about the 10th of October 1874.

Mr. Coghlan, the Sessions Judge, concurring with all the assessors, found the accused not guilty on the 1st head of the charge, and acquitted him accordingly; but convicted him (the accused) on the 2nd head of the charge under Section 335 of the Indian Penal Code on his own plea of guilty. He therefore sentenced the accuse to undergo rigorous imprisonment for three years.

MURDER.

Harji Posha was charged with having committed murder, by causing the death of his wife Jani, by striking her with an axe at Dabhadi in the Dhanoo talooka of the Tanna district, on or about the 14th October 1874.

Mr. Coghlan, the Sessions Judge, on the accused's own plea of guilty, convicted him on the charge under section 302 of the Indian Penal Code, and sentenced him to the confirmation of Her Majesty's High Court of Judicature, to the favourable consideration of the High Court.

MURDER.

Budhya Radkya and Tolya Gowria were charged with having committed murder by causing the death of one Narayen Patel at Welgam in the Mahim talooka of the Tanna district, on or about the 16th of October 1874.

Mr. Coghlan, the Sessions Judge, concurring with two assessors and differing from one assessor, as regards accused Budhya Radkya, and concurring with all the assessors as regards accused Tolya, convicted them on the charge, under section 302 of the Indian Penal Code, and said, that this was another instance, one of the very many, in this district, of intoxication acting as the immediate cause of murder. In most murder cases here, the latent cause was to be found in enmity arising from jealousy, or money difficulties, which enmity was excited and roused to action by indulgence in the use of ardent spirits. He could not doubt, that intoxication is the immediately exciting cause of more than fifty per centum of the murders in this Session's division. The difficulty of effectually checking drunkenness by regulating the supply and sale of spirits, appeared unhappily to be insuperable, otherwise Government could surely have, before now, applied a remedy to this great evil. He sentenced both the accused persons to death, the sentence being subject to the confirmation of Her Majesty's High Court of Judicature.

ADULTERY.

Hussen Fakir was charged with having committed adultery with the wife of Mahomed, the complainant, at Budlapur in the Callian talooka of the Tanna district, in June 1874.

Mr. Parsons, the Assistant Sessions Judge, differing from the assessors, convicted the accused on the charge under section 497 of the Indian Penal Code, and sentenced him to undergo rigorous imprisonment for one month, and to pay a fine of Rs. 200, in default of payment, to undergo a further term of rigorous imprisonment for one month.

INDIAN NEWS.

DEATHS IN MADRAS.—From the 24th to the 30th ultimo, 1 European, 7 East Indians, 500 Hindoos, and 32 Mahomedans died, a total of 240 persons; the average of the corresponding weeks for the 10 previous years, being 232 persons. The deaths are thus classified:—43 from fever, 22 from dysentery, 16 from diarrhœa, and 159 from "other diseases."—*Madras Mail.*

CONTEMPT OF COURT.—During the hearing of the Madras Widows' and Orphans' Fund case at the Criminal Sessions of the High Court, Madras, the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Holloway, on Tuesday last, referring to the meeting that was held by the subscribers of the Fund after criminal proceedings had been instituted against the late Secretary, observed that the proper place for persons who made speeches on matters that were *sub-judice* was the jail. Yesterday, on observing in Court, a member of the Bar who had been present at that meeting, and had spoken in somewhat strong terms on the occasion, his Lordship asked the Advocate General and Mr. O'Sullivan, whether either of them intended to take any steps regarding the public meeting that had been held. His Lordship had observed from the proceedings of the meetings, that members of the Bar were also in the habit of making public speeches on matters *sub-judice*.—*Madras Time.*

THE WEATHER AT COCONADA.—The weather throughout the week (ending 31st October) has been very windy accompanied with heavy showers of rain. Often the sky assumed a very threatening appearance to seaward, showing every sign of an approaching storm, but it gradually wasted away ending in heavy showers of rain, and passing squalls. The wind has been principally from the N. E. veering northward during the night. The sultry atmosphere, which was experienced last week has disappeared, and both days and nights are cool and pleasant. Last evening closed upon us with very threatening appearance to the South-East and during the whole of the night, the most vivid flashes of lightning played to the southward and eastward, and the appearance too of the sky, and the heavy subtle sound rolling away to the westward from the same quarter, seemed to indicate some unusual disturbance of the elements. The whole of last night it blew in strong gusts from N. N. E. to N. E, and the morning broke upon us with very strong winds, and threatening appearance. As we are going to Press the wind is blowing strong with a disturbed appearance all round, smart and passing squalls. The steamer Bewick left the roads about noon yesterday, as also a native Brig bound to Negapatam. If there has been heavy weather to the southward, as we think there has been, we hope these vessels have escaped it. We have only three ships in the anchorage, the Ettie and two French vessels, and all appear to be riding easy at their anchors.—*Coconada Advertiser.*

AFTER THE FLOODS.—From Madras to Vellore the country in no way betokens the fact of its having lately experienced very heavy rains. The growing crops seem to have suffered but little, with the exception, perhaps, of some very young paddy, for which the rain appears to have been too heavy. After passing Vellore there are unmistakeable signs, however, of the late heavy rains. Field after field of nearly ripe paddy is laid flat with the ground and is now rotting fast, while the small streams are still very full. The permanent way appears in no way to have suffered or, if it has, has been thoroughly repaired, until close on Gooriattum. Here five arches, at the end farthest from

past us with such force as almost to unsteady us. The spray sprinkled our faces, the rafters creaked and the rope strained, threatening to give way, and so full of fear were we that not a word was uttered by any one of us during those ten minutes of awful danger. Had the rope but snapped, the raft and those on it would of a surety have been dashed, the one to pieces the other to death on the bank. At last the raft reached the shore and with a bound we leaped on *terra firma*. The danger was passed, and we were safe.

This morning I re-crossed the river and with Mr. West, the Engineer of the district, who very kindly allowed me to accompany him, I walked on to Rajampett to get an idea of the state of the railway line. From enquiries on the road I gathered the following. The damage done to the surrounding country by the overflowing of the river cannot at present be estimated. Whole villages have been washed away, several dead bodies have been picked up on the banks of the river, hundreds of people have been rendered houseless and destitute, and although Mr. Atkinson, the Collector, is doing all in his power to open relief houses for them and serves out daily rations, the number of poor people that crowd the cutcherry daily increases. To the credit of the Railway Company be it said that, every where on the line where heavy breaks have destroyed the road, the preference of employment has been given to those who have been washed out by the floods. This is especially noticed at the Cheyair and on the road to Rajampett, and it is a remarkable fact that the natives are grateful for the kindness, and work with a will, and pay almost homage to the railway officials. The damage to the crops here has been very great, and the loss of cattle, which are here kept in herds and fed on the neighbouring hills, has been very heavy.

Several feet high on both sides of the river, a stone wall runs for miles on the shores, acting as a band to preserve the land from the encroachment of the rushing stream, and to prevent the inundation of the country by the overflowing of its banks. But the wall, though it has stood for several years the force of many a swell, has fallen down before the rush this year and the river has run nearly over the land, destroying everything in its wild fury, for a distance of six miles beyond its south bank. Of course trees have been uprooted, villages have been swept away, &c., but I have not been able to obtain particulars. Returning to the line, at the 386 h bridge the embankment for several yards on either side of the masonry piers has been washed down, and the walls themselves are in a dangerous state, but as the rush of water through the cut is but slight, they may be rendered safe by the early filling up of the gaps at which two hundred coolies are at work. At bridge No. 385 the earthwork has been washed away for a quarter of a mile on each side, and one of the walls is unsafe, and some considerable time must elapse before the damage here can be repaired. Just beyond the 153rd milestone, a bridge is left standing all by itself, the embankment on the north and south side has been carried away for two hundred and thirty yards respectively. At bridge No. 363 the same occurs. From a little to the south of bridge 363 to bridge 357 at the 151st mile the embankment has been completely destroyed for three quarters of a mile, and all that distance the railway road has been washed down to the level of the country. At bridge No. 355 just outside of the Rajampett station the embankments has been broken for two hundred yards and more. It is a wonder that the damage here has been so slight as the body of water that rushed down the cut must have come down heavily and with great force, from the Kistanschenn tank, which breached not a mile to the east. I have only alluded to the important breaks on this part of the line, as it would take up too much space to detail each petty breach. Repeatedly I came upon gaps varying in size from twenty to fifty feet—the road washed away from underneath the rails. Between this and Rajampett over two thousand coolies are at work, and it will not be long before railway authorities if the work does not progress rapidly. Mr. Church has been up hard at work since Tuesday the 27th ultimo, and has gone on to Cuddapah, from then he goes on to the Pasupunee bridge. It is time I shut up. So good-night.

EUROPEAN EXTRACTS.

THE ART OF PUBLIC SPEAKING.

MR. BRIGHT has lately written a letter to a young theological student in which he gives his opinions on the art of public speaking. He is for extempore speaking when a man knows his subject and has a good hold on it; but for a preacher who has to deliver a sermon a week on the same topic to the same people, a written sermon is, he says, almost indispensable; "only men of great mind, great knowledge, and great power can do this with great success," and he wonders that any man can do it at all. The best preparation for speaking is, he suggests, to think over what is to be said, and to form an outline in a few brief notes. He says he has never been in the habit of writing out his speeches, certainly not for more than thirty years past, the labour of writing being bad enough, and the labour of committing to memory intolerable. This statement must, however, be taken with a certain qualification. Mr. Bright, I believe, does not write out all his speeches, but he writes out the most important and highly-worked passages and gets them by heart. The rest he fills in as he goes on, and one who examines his speeches carefully can tell by the great precision and point of the language in certain point's what has been written and what spoken off-hand. All his speeches are very carefully prepared, but chiefly in his head. He goes over the points he wishes to bring out for weeks, and perhaps, months, and broods over the subject till it takes form and substance in his mind. He has a small slip of letter paper with notes on it of the points in their order, and in the House of Commons I have often noticed him for hours before he rose conning over his notes and rehearsing passages with his eyes on the ceiling. Mr. Gladstone uses notes, but only for facts and the order of his points, and trusts exclusively to the moment for his words. Lord Palmerston always spoke extempore, and scarcely ever condescended to refer to a paper. His great speech, five hours long, in the Don Pacifico debate, was delivered in this manner; he had only a set of despatches before him in order to make distant quotations. Long practice in dictation to private secretaries had given him a mastery of precise and easy language, but he was not a flowing speaker. He thought a great deal more how a speech would read than how it sounded at the moment, and was determined not to use any but words he really wanted. This made him hesitate occasionally. Mr. Lowe acquired similar precision from dictating leading articles for the *Times*. Mr. Disraeli despises notes, except notes of dates and other figures; he prepares his speeches with great care, splanning them out, grouping his points artistically, and polishing up his epigrams. But his speeches, though partly drafted beforehand, are not repeated from memory. The late Lord Derby was an impulsive extempore speaker; but his son writes his speeches from the beginning to the end, and learns them laboriously. Lord Granville speaks off-hand, and is very unequal in his style, which is, for the most part, loose and slovenly. Lord Russel also trusts to the words of the moment, and this, I imagine, was the rule with all the speakers of the last generation. Mr. Horsman, I have heard, writes his speeches many times over, each time destroying the manuscript, and then writing another with as many improvements as he can think of. The object is, of course, to procure a firm hold on the subject generally, as well as on his premeditated language, so that he may drop the letter if he chooses, and insert anything that occurs to him.

THE VINTAGE OF 1874.

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BACCHUS, of all the divinities of Olympus perhaps the one who is most indiscreetly adored and most unjustly abused, is, at this moment, enjoying a triumph, the extent and splendour of which may awaken feelings of a mingled nature in the minds of Sir Wilfrid Lawson and his abstaining friends. The God of Wine is "flying all abroad;" for, with the dawn of October, the vintage on the Continent of Europe has begun. The modern representative of Bacchus is a shrewd traveller in the wine trade, often of German extraction; Silenus is an opulent and corpulent vine-grower, whose talk is of first-rate *vignobles* and super-excellent *crus*; and the fauns and satyrs, the dryads and Bachantes of 1874 are only so many *vignerons*, so many honest, hard-working peasant people of both sexes, whose business it is to gather and to press the grape, and who from time immemorial have been accustomed to look on a plentiful harvest and an abundant vintage as equally the gifts of a beneficent Providence. Let us first glance at the French Bacchus, and observe in what manner he is triumphing in the best beloved of his provinces. That we were to have no more champagne after the termination of the Franco-German war, was a gloomy prediction very freely made three years ago. The Germans had drunk up nearly all the *crus* or had carried the balances of the stocks back with them to the Fatherland. They had grubbed up the vines by the roots, they had poisoned the soil; they had done all kinds of horrible things; and French *connaisseurs-voyageurs* were, it was said, exploring all parts of the Continent and the United Kingdom, and buying up all the champagne they could lay hands upon, even to single bottles, at provincial hotels and country grocers' shops, with a view to the grape famine which, in 1873 and 1874, was held to be inevitable. It may be remembered that similarly mournful vaticinations were uttered in 1816-17 after the evacuation of France by the allied armies; and it is not improbable that analogous forecasts of a failure of the vintage were made in the days of the Goths and Visigoths and other marauding barbarians.

The result in the present year of grace has not assuredly realised the anticipations of the prophets of evil. Advices from Epernay state that in the important Department of the Marne there is in course of production a wine calculated to maintain the highest grade of repute achieved in former times by the district. The low-lying grounds where common and cheap wines are grown were injured to some extent by the spring frosts; but the first rate *crues* of Ay and Bouzy, of Cramant, Avize and Le Mesnil, are all in splendid condition. Prices are ruling high, not because the supply is deficient, but because the quality is exceptional and the demand enormous. It is the unanimous opinion of the Champagne proprietors, speculators, managers, buyers for shippers, and the peasantry themselves—that the wine of '74 will equal that of historically famous years—say the vintages of '46 and '57. The juice is full of saccharine, and the weather hitherto has been eminently favourable to the *exodesyes*. The vintage tidings from the Loire, the Rhone, and the Garonne are as yet scanty; but the most sanguine hopes are entertained that the yield of grapes for red wines will be, both in quantity and quality, of exceptional goodness. As regards Germany, correspondents from the Rhineland write in a state of enthusiasm approaching ecstasy. The vintage of the year in the Rentish Provinces is asserted, not only to equal, but to surpass the grape-harvest of the famous year 1811, when Germania, lying bruised and fettered at the feet of the First Napoleon, was, in the anguish of her bondage, somewhat consoled by having an abundance of sparkling Rhenish to drink. At present, the supply of wine-casks in the Rhine Provinces is said to be wholly insufficient for such a prolific harvest; and as the Great Tun of Heidelberg, in its present condition, would scarcely pass muster at Coopers' Hall, new barrels are being busily manufactured, and are everywhere eagerly bought up. The German Bacchus, in fine—the Bacchus who wears a *pickelhaube*, who is saluted by volleys of Krupp guns, and who is so remarkably anxious to have an ironclad fleet, in order that he may visit Ariadne in Naxos—has been received, from Bonn to Mayence, and far into the Mosel Country, with one tremendous cry of "Hoch!" It is, however, from the sunny land of Italy that the news of Bacchus is, perhaps, most exhilarating. "Bacco in Toscana" has not yet made his full appearance; but the whole of the erst kingdom of Naples is now absorbed in the glorious and delightful labours of the vintage. The bands of almost every man, woman, and child in the South are ruddy with the spoils of the vine. The Syrian maids were wont annually to mourn their wounded Thammuz; but the dark-skinned beauties of Magna Grazia are exulting rather than lamenting over Bacchus who lies a-bleeding. The vines are said to be absolutely bowed down, by the weight of fruit on the branches; and the olive trees, with which the vineyards are interspersed, are just as heavily laden. In the daytime the cottages in the villages are wholly deserted. Everybody is in the fields, plucking the golden or purple grapes, heaping them up in baskets, or bearing them with shouts of triumph to the winepress—Bacco, meanwhile, in his leopard-drawn car, looking on complacently while the Bacchantes dance the Tarantula in a highly excited manner before him. Whatever would Sir Wilfrid and his friends think of such a spectacle? They might sadly, perchance, reflect that but for certain accidents the world might have seen no such thing as a winepress; that had not some cunning observer marked when the saccharine fermentation of the "must" end it, and the acetous fermentation began, we should have had no wine, but that, on the other hand, we should have been endowed every year with a great many more grapes than we knew what to do with; for we cannot always be eating raisins at dessert, or in dumplings; and enough vinegar or verjuice is certainly as good as a feast. Meanwhile, the swarthy Neapolitans exult because, in their simple minds, a bounteous vintage is the Heaven-sent corollary of a bountiful harvest; and the two combined mean cheap food. Everything in the South is falling in price; and the poor man's heart is glad within him. Bread is one-third cheaper than it was and meat one-fourth, in spite of the efforts of the villainous Camorristi, who are to Naples what the Bagarini are to Rome. The little children of the *lostadino* may now take their full of *polenta*, for maize has fallen 50 per cent. Thus the Neapolitan looks upon Bacchus as a general relieving-officer; he is not only Bacco, he is Pan; and they would snare with amazement were they told that it was wicked to enjoy the good things of God, and that some Anglo-Saxon sophist had found out that the wine which He, down in Galilee, ages ago, filled the wedding guests withal, was only some kind of undiluted syrup.

Just one little drop of absinthian bitterness lingers on the edge of this brimming wine cup. Just one sere leaf dims the glowing chaplet of the wine god. The news from Oporto is somewhat discouraging. The vintage on the lower Corgo began on the 17th of September; and the probabilities are that the yield will not amount to more than half an average. The grapes on the Upper Douro were inspected in size and ripeness, and required great care in gathering. With much trouble it may be possible to produce a moderate amount of tolerably good wine; but the general run will not be beyond common port, such as that of last year. To these tidings selfish Englishmen may object by objecting that the boulders and opine that the vintage on the Upper Douro is no concern at all of theirs, since nobody in England now-a-days drinks port. The truth is that numbers of very excellent people in England continue to imbibe this thing of wine; but whatever may be the estimation in which "old crusted" or "light dry" may be held by an unintelligent majority of English wine drinkers, the persons who will be really injured by the partial failure of the vintage in the Douro will be several millions of the Portuguese people who are accustomed to drink "common" port—an "unmade," unbrandied, wholesome, and delicious wine. Again, from Madeira intelligence comes that there is a prolific vintage of good sound grapes, yielding a sweet "must" free from water, although some of the grapes are said to have only one pip. It is not, however, likely that Madeira wine will again become cheap in this country, or that, as regards popularity, it will ever prove a formidable rival of sherry. In the product of Andalusia, and in those of Burgundy and Bordeaux, the English middle-class public are alone selfishly interested. Rhenish wines are in little drunk save by the wealthy; and scarcely any class whatever can discriminate between good and bad champagne, although prodigious quantities of the yield, so called, of Epernay, are annually consumed among us. We should be rejoiced, as citizens of the world, to hear that any or every country has been blessed with a good vintage, but sherry and claret are the wines which now more than any others come home to the hearts of the middle-class English people. Of news from Cadiz and Port St. Mary's we are as yet destitute. There remains, however, a general and uneasy impression that the greater part of the sherry sold in England, under all kinds of fantastic names, is neither genuine, nor pleasant, nor wholesome. Equally prevalent is the conviction that a vast number of hogsheads of pseudo St. Juliens and St. Emilions are annually cleared out of the Custom House whose extraction has had a great deal more to do with the district of Val de Penas, in Spain, than with the Department of the Garonne, in France. Will abundant Continental vintages enable us, some day or another, to procure in England clarets and sherries of undoubted foreign growth, which shall be not only cheap, but good? While there is plenty of good wine in England, it is exorbitantly dear. Much of the cheaper sort is bad, and unfortunately dealers sometimes get confused in their notions as regards qualities and prices, and sell us the bad wine at an extortionate price. The greatest triumph of Bacchus would be to favour Britannia with a liberal supply of sound claret, moderate in price, and practicable enough to wean the people from the drinking of overmuch beer and the gulping down of fiery spirits.

THE PARISIAN REVOLUTIONARY CLASSES.

("STANDARD'S" CORRESPONDENT.)

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THE new number of the *Revue de France* publishes an article from the pen of M. Maxime Ducamp, which deserves to attract the attention of all thinking men. It is intended as a conclusion to his great work on modern Paris, and it sets forth with great lucidity that—first, native-born Parisians generally take no part in insurrec ions; and, secondly, that the immigration of bad characters from the country is an evil so serious as to lead him to entertain apprehensions of a repetition of the horrors of the Commune at the hands of these provincial barbarians. Indeed, M. Maxime Ducamp does not conceal the fact that the advent to power of M. Gambetta's followers, the *nouvelles couches sociales*, will be attended by nothing less than the destruction of the city.

When people say that Paris has made a revolution they mistake the stage for the actors upon it. The fact is that revolutions are made by provincials, and that the true-born Parisians take no part in them. As a rule those who make revolutions are those who have to gain by them. Immediately after the fall of the Bastile three men became the leaders, and, so to speak, the symbols of the revolutionary movement—viz., Mirabeau, Lafayette, and Camille Desmoulins. Not one of them was a true-born Parisian. Mirabeau was born at Bignon, Camille Desmoulins at Guise, and Lafayette at Chavagnac. The ignoble Marat was a Swiss. The municipal council that was elected after the violent dissolution by the mob of the old corporation of Paris consisted of 120 members; of this number only 16 were Parisians, and not less than 34 were foreigners. Switzerland, Prussia, Italy, Sweden, Denmark, and America all furnish their *quota*. It is pleasing to find that no Englishman disgraced his country and himself by joining this herd of assassins. The worst and most blood-thirsty were all of them provincials. Hebert was born at Alencon; that incarnation of brutality and vice, Couthon, was a native of Auvergne! Fouquier Tinville was born in Picardy, like Robespierre; Santerre, the suburban village now celebrated for its rosieres and its cakes, gave birth to the monster Henriot. The fact that the most dangerous characters were not natives of Paris appears to have been tolerably well known even in those days. In 1795 the Directory sent a message to the Council of "The Five Hundred," asking for power to remove suspicious characters, and thereon a law was passed empowering the Executive to expel from Paris all who could not prove they had been born within its precincts. When a Provisional Government was installed at the Hotel de Ville after the Revolution of 1830 not a single member was a Parisian. In the Provisional Government of 1848 there were but two Parisians, MM. Ledru Rollin and Flocon. The "Government of National Defence," as it styled itself, consisted of nine provincials and but two Parisians, M.M. Ernest Picard and Henri Rochefort. The mayor of Paris after the 4th of September, M. Etienne Arago, who assured the Parisians that "Paris would be the Saragossa of the Republic, and if Saragossa was not enough he (M. Arago), torch in hand, would make of Paris another Moscow," was born at Perpignan. The Commune was equally un-Parisian in its composition. Out of the eighty members who formed what M. Maxime Ducamp not inaptly "calls this grotesque and ferocious body" sixty-six were provincials. Even in the rank and file of the insurrectionary army M. Ducamp asserts that, barring the invariable contingent of gamins, the Parisians were in a great minority—a fact which he accounts for in two diff-rent ways, viz., Parisians, true born Parisians, muster only 642,718 against an aggregate of 1,341,253 provincials and foreigners; and, secondly, the Parisian is a great deal too much swayed by the instincts of self preservation to interfere wherever there is any chance of getting hard knocks.

"In revolutions and in the events they bring about the true-born Parisian succumbs under the mass of provincials that surrounds him, and all the more easily that he does not even try to fight; he shrugs his shoulders, uplifts his arms, and exclaims, '*Mon Dieu!* What is to become of us!'"

There is a great deal of truth in what M. Ducamp says; but I do not see that Parisians are entitled to a verdict of not guilty on the plea he puts forth in their behalf. A whole population that stands by while wholesale massacres like those of September, 1792, are going on—which for months together allow cartloads of victims to be sent to the guillotine—which runs away and leaves wives and daughters to take care of themselves, as was the case in 1871—is quite as culpable and rather more contemptible than the miscreants whose crimes it aided and abetted by not trying to prevent their perpetration.

Continuing his monography of the Parisian, M. Ducamp, who has made him his own, tells us that he is an insignificant creature, of sluggish imagination, very active and intelligent in a small peddling way at business, caring very little about the form of the government, provided order and security be assured. He is—or fancies himself to be—bucolic in his tastes. He likes to have a country box, in the shape of a Swiss chalet, or a mediæval castello, the whole garden included, the size of a decent sized London drawing-room. He is thrifty, seldom has more than two children, and invariably achieves, if not a fortune, at least a handsome competence. He hides in his cellar when the fighting begins, but he helps on revolution for he is a *frondeur* in his heart of hearts, and is dead to all sense of respect and reverence. Once a Government is established the delight of the Parisian is to set about running it down by *pasquinades*, and when it has been made a laughing stock for some years, and is ruined in public estimation, then the provincial barbarians elbow it to the ground. This game has taken place somewhat too often since the beginning of this century, says M. Maxime Ducamp; its further repetition may be fatal.

Here I must let M. Ducamp speak for himself. I will only premise that I condense his statement, which is rather prolix—but I leave out none of his facts:—

"There are always to be found in Paris a number of men who are ever prepared to rise and overthrow the Government, be that Government what it may. It has already been shown that these men are not native born citizens, but come from without. As long ago as the fourteenth century what Tacitus said about Rome, '*Quo cuncta atrocia aut pudenda confluent, celebrantuque*,' was applicable to Paris; it has remained so to this day. This is the headquarters of covetousness, it works a kind of diabolical fascination on men's minds. The girl in wooden shoes mindling cows or a flock of geese hears a still small voice from Paris telling her of the fortunes of Jeanne Vaubernier, who became the famous Dubarry. The cobblers' boy who gets admitted through charity to the 'Seminaire' in his country town gets brooding over the story of Cardinal Maury. For provincials Paris has the attractions which America, the Far East, Australia, and the Indies present to the adventurous youth of England and Germany. Many do come to the big town in wooden shoes and a few francs in their pocket, and do carve their way to eminence and fortune. But while Paris is indebted to the provinces for some of the noblest of its illustrations, it has received at the same time many gross, impure, and dangerous elements; and it has often been plunged into the abyss by those who found they could not realise their preposterous dreams. Their wounded vanity, the wealth and luxury they see around them, and which they cannot compass, their ambition, out of all proportion with their intelligence, makes them enemies of society; and it is these men we find heading every *emute* and sent to the surface at every revolution. Who and what are these men? They are the *fruits secs*, the failures of literature, politics, and the bar." Their ignorance passes the boundaries of imagination. When, perchance, any one of them has a semblance of culture, he becomes an object of astonishment and admiration to his fellows. One of these Bohemians became quite a celebrated character because he had read Diderot. His friends used to say of him, "He feeds on Iron Flesh" (*Il se nourrit de la moelle de lions!*) This bilious provincial, bent on paying Paris off for the disappointments of his *amour propre*, is a common character enough. When troubled times arrive he comes to the surface, and sometimes achieves a certain degree of notoriety. He has knocked at the door of publishers' editors of newspapers and periodicals, and been more or less civilly sent about his business. The consciousness of the inaspacity which nails him down makes him savage; he hates the world. Distress is an ill-adviser when it deals with a merely vain man; far from deploring many times undeserved, he encourages him in abject laziness, and, above all, in his horror of all manual labour; for, bear in mind that these men, who, for their own purposes, extol the virtues of the working-classes, would consider themselves disgraced if they handled a tool. They stick at nothing—do not shrink from even the most wicked of insurrections, even though their country may be downtrodden and bleeding from every vein—so long as they can secure a brief lease of power. It would be useless to quote the measures of those who have dared everything to give a body to the nightmare they were pursuing—those names may be found in the lists of the Commune, that Government of baboons (*ce Gouvernment de mandrilles*) which has been aptly and wittily described as the "red carnival." After Damien's pen-knife stab Voltaire described Louis Quinze half-monkey half-tiger. What would he have said after the murder of the hostages?"

M. Ducamp ascribes to this class of *declasses*—of "failures"—the chief share in every revolution that has taken place from 1830 to 1871. He has the honesty to admit that the behaviour of the Parisians during the Siege of Paris—under these circumstances, is simply abject cowardice. "He howls with the wolves lest the wolves should eat him up." Thus La Harpe, a true Parisian, in the *Mercure* of Feb. 15, 1794, gravely proposed that the Royal arms should be erased from every book in the public libraries. This would have cost four millions at a time when money was not plentiful. But, "Qu'importe?" said this true Parisian, "Quand il s'agit dune opération vraiment Republicaine?"

The instances M. Ducamp gives of the timidity of your true Parisian are very striking, but those who want to know more about it I must refer to the *Revue de France*. What is to the purpose is that M. Ducamp, who has devoted his life to a study of Paris and the Parisians, is of opinion that we have worse than the Commune in store. He points out, with an accuracy that none who know Paris will venture to question, that there is an army to follow the lead of the *declasses* whom he has sketched above, a band of human wolves who hunger for the enjoyment of the pleasures that wealth can procure without labouring to acquire wealth. There are, of course, good, honest, and creditable workmen in Paris, but as Mr. Ducamp remarks, they simply hold aloof when troubled times come—they know they are the *bourgeois* of the future. But by the side of these there are another class of working men. They are known in the slang common to the thieves and the police as *pourpres*—they form the great army of *lagouppe*. M. Ducamp says it consists exclusively of thieves, ticket-of-leave-men, escaped convicts, and so on. I cannot quite agree with him in this respect—it includes a great many real workmen, chiefly young men who get into the habit of loafing and who end by hating loafing. M. Ducamp assesses their number at 45,000 men. I think he is much under the mark. But he is quite right in saying that there is rankling at the hearts of these barbarians a bitter, determined hatred of society. They often read many of them, and they have educated men to write for them. M. Ducamp, for instance, is an extract which M. Ducamp quotes from a letter of Felix Pyat's; which was seized a little before the outbreak of the Commune, viz.:—

"The Republic of 1871 will not be like the Republics of '48 or '93, when only a few drops were shed—the blood of the wealthy. We shall take account, and great account too of their infamy. There must be an example! Let that example be terror! Proletarians! your turn has come at last. Up with you and be doing! You have arms! you can get torches. Will you have chateaux and palaces standing? Will you not drive a thoroughfare through the Tuileries and the Louvre? Let petroleum blow through the streets of Paris."

M. Ducamp adds with considerable *naivete*:—

"If a man whom his literary labours have raised above the crowd, who was Governmeut Commissioner in 1848, and a member of the National Assembly, who has never had to suffer from want, has spoken thus, is it not an excuse for the fanatics who in obedience to his orders committed the crime while he slunk away from danger?"

M. Ducamp thinks that this model French refugee will have an opportunity of carrying fully out the programme he has sketched in his letter. Most of those who have lived through the Commune think that its recurrence is impossible. I do not think so; indeed, I think that M. Ducamp's forebodings are only too well justified. In this I am at one with M. Ducamp. But I must in honesty say that he rather exaggerates the horrors of that critical period; of course there was some risk, yet I am bound to say that throughout the Commune I was only twice molested, and that by some "officers" in a state of intense intoxication. Night after night other correspondents and myself used to assemble and compare notes in a cafe filled with communists; we were all English, and all spoke English, and yet were not in any way interfered with. During the battle in the streets, on my stating I was a foreigner, I was exempted from the ordeal of having to join in the construction of a barricade. There was organised plunder in Paris, but private dwellings were never entered. The rank and file of the Communists only behaved in a far more exemplary manner than the rank and file of regular armies did during the war. I think M. Ducamp should have given the Communists that amount of credit, for they certainly deserve it. However that may be, he tells us that the horrors of the eight days' battle are sure to be renewed with tenfold intensity. He draws a vivid picture of those fearful three nights, the 22d, 23d, and 24th of May, 1871, when he saw from the roof of his house Paris in a blaze; when the gutters conveyed streams of molten lead down to the Seine and the canal and plunged into the water without a discernible hiss. No one who has witnessed such a sight and heard such sounds can possibly forget it, and I can understand that it has made a powerful impression on M. Maxime Ducamp. The impression was so strong that it appears to have interfered with the one more painful—impression caused by the scenes which accompanied and followed the burning, in which the "dupes" were shot down, and the "wolves," as M. Ducamp calls them, got mostly clean off. Having entered this protest against M. Ducamp's wholesale denunciation of conduct, which I think he may not have had an opportunity of appreciating personally—I will now lay before you the awful fate which awaits us in Paris as he sketches it himself:—

"Politics *per se* the people of Paris, whether immigrants or not, do not care a rush about—call it Empire, Monarchy, Republic, they care not. If they incline somewhat towards the Republic it is because they think it gives them chances that they can turn to account. Whatever the forms of the government may be, the people of Paris are ever in opposition, and politically but socially. Theoretically democrats—demagogues by instinct—the people of Paris takes every means, uses every effort, to overthrow the social conventions beneath which they fancy themselves to be crushed. So intense is their perverseness in this line that they will submit to any amount of suffering, provided the ruling classes suffer too. I remember, in 1869, as I was coming out from a voting-room, overhearing two workmen exchanging ideas, 'How did you vote?' 'How did I vote? I voted for Satan. If he gets in at the head of the poll, he will burn down every——stick.' To burn down every——stick—that is the cherished dream of many of these men. Can we be sure that we shall never witness the accession to power of the delegates of those who indulge in these fearful thoughts? Universal suffrage has many surprises in store for us. . . . It is insanity; but all maniacs and raving lunatics are not at Charenton (the French Bedlam.) I know there are a number of very respectable people who will shave their heads, and say, 'Surely, such things can never occur again. We shall never see a whole people supplied with arms to repel a foreign foe, and using them for civil war. We shall never see a government running away from Paris, and leaving it a prey to a fit of *delirium tremens*.' Well, those who think so think foolishly and idly. After June, 1848, we all said, 'This cannot occur again.' No; these are not, as we thought, exceptional incidents; they are the result of a general morbid state, just as an abscess is the sign of a vitiated constitution. But we think that if such another battle comes off as we have witnessed Paris will not survive it.

In a combat of such a nature, when two parties are contending to defeud realities and dreams, the worst is to be feared. There is no war so fearful as civil war—'an eternal hate—the hatred between brothers,' says Ugo Foscolo. In their secret conferences those who treasure up in their hearts the hope of an early revenge say, 'we kindled the conflagration too late.' They regret not to have carried more thoroughly into practice what they call the application of science in the "resindiction" of the rights of labour'. We must have the courage to go to the bitter end, and state, without flinching, the fate which these raving maniacs reserve for Paris. Twice already have I assisted at this 'application of science.' In the month of June, 1848, a body of National Guards were trying to carry a barricade at the top of the Faubourg Poissoniere, near the hospital (now La Riboisiere) which was then in course of construction. On advancing they were received with jets of sulphuric acid (i. e., vitriol), which was discharged against them through the hose of a fire-engine. At that time we thought it monstrous. We did not know then that the leaders of future insurrections would calmly sit down and write such words as these—'What we want is barbarian warfare. We do not want to reform the State—we want to kill, burn, and destroy.' This first employment of chemical agents was but a dress rehearsel, pending the performance on the stage. The second act was the Commune. . . . It made a god of petroleum. But petroleum itself falls short of the mark. For the third act of the tragedy—which, according to its future actors, is to be the last—petroleum is to be supplemented by explosive substances which it is useless to specify, as every one knows them. Those who invented hand pendules, who composed the hymn to 'the little bullet,' want expeditious means to enable them to 'have done with it once for all.' During the long struggle that lasted 168 hours they fought and secured their retreat by kindling conflagrations across the path of their pursuers, this tactic is an old-fashioned one, not worthy of the men of the renovated world. Henceforth whole blocks of buildings, whole quarters, are to be blown down; petroleum will then be poured on the ruins, and the survivors will go on fighting, if there be any survivor left. Let the reader not imagine that I am under the influence of nightmare, and that I take my own gloomy dreams for possible realities. I have not written a line which I have not documentary evidence to prove. It would be a gross libel on the country to make the population of Paris responsible for these premeditated horrors, but the army ready to come into action to carry out this plan of combined destruction and its scheme of social disorganisation, dimly viewed through the fumes of absinthe and vanity, is a large one. Its rank and file consists of the large phalanx of rogues and vagabonds whom justice has not nailed down to the bench of the gally-slave, and who will rush with glee into any action that holds out a prospect of plunder. Its non-commissioned officers are the mob of dreamy, drunken, loafing artisans. Its leaders are the 'failures' of the middle-class, who, jealous of the superiority achieved by honest industry, would force the world under the yoke of their merciless mediocrity. If this legion of the red flag raises up its head once more—if it be not crushed at once—if it be victorious but for one hour—then it will be all over with Paris."

This is not a pleasant prospect, but it is, no doubt, what we have to expect when the "new social strata" come into power. I would only add one word to M. Ducamp's eloquent but sinister predictions. In a country, in a city, where the anarchists form after all but a small minority, if the *bourgeois*, i. e. will not set in self-defence—if they will submit to be burnt out and blown up wholesale, instead of fighting to protect themselves against the "phalanx of rogues and vagabonds"—they certainly will have richly deserved their fate. There are, no doubt, a good many rogues and vagabonds in London, but I fancy that London householders would prove a match for them. If the Parisians choose to defend themselves they need not fear that the dreadful picture drawn by M. Ducamp will ever be realised. But is there a chance of its coming true? Alas! there is.

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